

*Damon Tinio, Chairman
Peter Coffin, Vice Chairman*



*Timothy Aicardi
Michael Ammendolia
William Aten*

TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
20 Main Street
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2009

Attending: P. Coffin, T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia and W. Aten.; Robert Sweet, 50 Milford Street; J. Lowell, 40 Millville St.; P. Ghelli, 42 Milford St.; and Joyce Hasting, GLM Engineering.

T. Aicardi, acting Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

R. Sweet asked if he could audio record the meeting. There were no objections.

D. Tinio performed a site visit to 18 Thayer Road. The owner wants to install a 20' X 37' -inground pool. There is no wetland impact. Members signed the negative Determination of Applicability.

Members discussed the Definitive Subdivision plan for Cook's Crossing per the request of the Planning Board. The board directed D. Willoughby to send a letter to the developer informing him that he has no current Order of Conditions (permit) on file. No work should be taking place until a new Notice of Intent is filed by the applicant. Members will conduct a thorough review at that time. Members will be at the site inspecting to make sure no work is being done. A copy of the letter shall be sent to the Planning Board

T. Aicardi informed members that an abutter of 30 North Avenue had attended a Planning Board meeting and said the utilities were going to be put in the wetland at that location. *Action: D. Willoughby to send a letter to the engineer voicing the Con. Com.'s concern regarding how the utilities will be positioned on the lot.*

8:04 p.m. P. Coffin joined meeting.

M. Ammendolia made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Willoughby informed members that the Community Preservation Committee needs a representative from the Conservation Commission. W. Aten volunteered. M. Ammendolia made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to nominate W. Aten be the Conservation Commission representative to the Community Preservation Committee. The motion carried unanimously. *Action: D. Willoughby to ask T. Palmer what Bill needs to do or sign to be on Committee.*

P. Coffin informed members that he performed site visit to the 30'-pipe outlet near New England Steak and Seafood on June 12. There are still high NTU's. Silt could be coming from Phase I of Mr. Meehan's project. He also believes there could be silt in the catch basins. Members directed D. Willoughby to send a letter to Mr. Meehan and R. Poxon requesting they attend the July 9 meeting. Members want to ensure he received the May 26 letter informing him that the Commission would be hiring a wetland scientist and billing Mr. Meehan. The letter shall also state that he is in non-compliance with the Enforcement Order. The board has taken this matter quite seriously and would like to speak with the owner and his engineer in order to avoid any legal action. The board has not received the solution to silt leaving his property by May 7 nor a restoration plan by May 23 as the enforcement order required. Copies of the enforcement order, May 26 letter and pictures shall be included.

T. Aicardi reported on his site visit to 50 Milford Street to view finished picnic area. Some stumps had been removed. Others were behind the barn. R. Sweet said they are not in the wetland and came from another area. R. Sweet presented the receipts from and A. Tetreault's (4 loads with 10-wheeler) who hauled it to Cooks Landscaping (4 loads with 6-wheeler). He estimates there were 40 to 50 stumps. Members directed Mr. Sweet to have vendor correct discrepancy with truck size used. R. Sweet asked if stumps were removed in wetland can they be placed in the buffer zone. M. Ammendolia replied that the Conservation Commission has jurisdiction over the buffer zone. Decisions are made on a case-by-case basis.

8:35 p.m. J. Hasting asked for the board to informally review site plan for Lots 13 & 14 Dudley Road. There is an intermittent stream on the property. There is a culvert that runs under Dudley Road. A new wetland line has been flagged. One wetland crossing has 2600 square feet of disturbance. The area would be replicated. An embedded box culvert will be constructed and the channel will not be disturbed. Members suggested minimizing the shared-driveway width without sacrificing safety.

Members agreed to meet August 13 and 27th. Members will assess whether both meeting dates will be needed at the July 13 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
Administrative Clerk