

*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

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### Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2010

Attending: D. Tinio, P. Coffin, T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia and W. Aten; Robert Truax., GLM Engineering; P. Ghelli, 42 Milford Street; J. Pavlik, Outback Engineering; S. Smith, 188 Providence St.; A. Mazar, 50 Pleasant St.

Chairman Tinio called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) for the installation of a sign for Imperial Chevrolet at 20 Uxbridge Road. D. Tinio determined that the foundation for the sign was on the original plan reviewed by the Commission. There would be no wetland impact. Members signed the negative determination.

Members reviewed the RDA for a 20' X 30' metal building to be placed on cinder blocks at 120 Uxbridge Road. Since no digging will be done, members signed the negative determination.

M. Ammendolia informed members that Mr. Boulanger at 39 Northbridge Road has installed silt fence to protect wetland behind his property. He is only storing loam on his site to be used for his construction projects.

*Action: T. Aicardi to perform site visit at 80 Northbridge Road to speak with John Lyon regarding his requested Certificate of Compliance.*

Members agreed they would revisit filling of wetland at 49 Milford Street when the applicant attends Con. Com. meeting to discuss a new permit. The owner has not responded to last correspondence requesting a site visit.

D. Willoughby informed members that owner of 66 Kinsley Lane will record their Order of Conditions.

7:47 p.m. Lots 13 & 14 Dudley Road NOI Hearing; Rob Truax, GLM Engineering, presented the plan. The subdivision had a replication area created approximately 10 years ago. Mr. Truax showed this as a wetland on the plan. *Action: R. Truax to obtain original plan that shows area as a replication area.* Rob answered P. Ghelli's questions regarding her abutting property. There will be 3900 square feet of fill and 3900 square feet of replication. There is public water and sewer. P. Coffin directed the engineer to round the edges of the replication area. P. Coffin made and T.

Aicardi seconded a motion to accept the plan for Lots 13 and 14 Dudley Road subject to a revised plan showing rounded edges of replication area and results of site visit. The motion carried unanimously.

8:15 p.m. Cook's Crossing NOI hearing; J. Pavlik explained that part of Cobbler's Knoll was permitted as a 40B project. That portion is now Cook's Crossing and has 21 lots. The road layout is the same. The lots were reconfigured. The NOI affects the buffer zone only. Jim modified the Stormwater plan in accordance with the new regulations. One hundred feet of pipe will be removed so that a grass swale can be constructed in its place. P. Coffin read the letter from NHESP dated October 2009. S. Smith has a letter from Emily Holt, NHESP, saying the jurisdiction is with the Conservation Commission. J. Pavlik is of the understanding that a project change is defined as a change that increases the impact ten percent or more. S. Smith reminded the board about Miraj offering to donate land within the subdivision to the town. J. Pavlik believes Miraj is still willing to donate 4.7 acres attached to the eight-acre Paddock property. *Action: D. Willoughby to contact Endangered Species to ask if a cold water fishery is outstanding resource water. What makes up the criteria and if there are habitat issues that the Conservation Commission should be considering. Do we need to limit nitrates?* T. Aicardi made and W. Aten seconded a motion to continue the hearing on Cook's Crossing until February 11, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

8:50 p.m. Cobblers' Knoll NOI hearing; The subdivision has 39 lots which is eight less than what was previously permitted. The old lot lines were shown as dotted. Members asked Mr. Pavlik to look at improving the water quality at settling ponds that are not planned to be modified. P. Coffin made and T. Aicardi seconded a motion to continue the hearing on Cobbler's Knoll until February 11 at 8:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Members reviewed a letter from F. Lapham, Shea Engineering submitting a revised plan for an existing Order of Conditions to add a cabana within existing limit of work. Members agreed there would be no wetland impact. Members signed negative determination. *Action: D. Willoughby to type remainder of determination.*

Members reviewed the site plan for 5 Cape Road per the request of the Planning Board as well as Cullinan Engineering's comments. Members agreed a Bradford Pear tree would do well in the island.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes of December 3, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

Members discussed Aquatic Control's agreement for the treatment of Lake Nipmuc this year. The proposed price is the same as last year. D. Tinio signed the agreement.

Members discussed their desire to ensure that the pipe that empties into the wetland across Route 16 is cleaned out before the contractor leaves the job site. *Action: D. Willoughby to send Mr. Themeli a letter informing him storm water structures must be cleaned out before he leaves the job site, how he plans to clean them out, and inquiring whether there is a long-term maintenance plan and to attend the next Con. Com. meeting on February 11.*

D. Willoughby informed members that she submitted her final budget to Finance Committee.



D. Willoughby attended the eDEP meeting and learned the DEP is trying to capture data from NOI's and OOC's; therefore, they want those forms submitted electronically. They need to report information to EPA. They will also use the data for compliance and enforcement investigations.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby  
Administrative Clerk