

HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

June 13th, 2023

Meeting conducted in person at the Hadley Senior Center and via zoom

Conservation Commission Members Present: Gary Pelissier (Chair), Edwin Matuszko (CPA representative), Ray Mieczkowski, Stephen Szymkowicz, Kayla Loubriel (Staff)

Others present: Andrew Morehouse, Christin Mcdonough, Thomas Hogan, Larry R, James Fitzgibbon

**6:30, Gary Opens the Hearing*

Request for Determination of Applicability – 32 Shattuck Road

- Andrew Morehouse presented the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts' plans to construct a drainage ditch in an existing agricultural field that is currently too wet for farming. The new ditch would connect to an existing drainage ditch along the southern edge of the property.
- Motion made by Edwin to issue Negative 3 determination, seconded by Ray, 3 in favor, Stephen abstains.

Notice of Intent – UMass North Village Apartments Culvert Replacement

- Christin Mcdonough presented on behalf of SWCA and the University of Massachusetts on plans for conduit replacement work, improvements to two culverts, and stream bank restoration.
- Christin addressed DEP comments regarding project categorization, and the Commission agreed that project is not an Ecological Restoration Limited Project and the original project categorization was accepted.
- Motion made by Edwin to issue Order of Conditions, seconded by Stephen, all in favor.

Notice of Intent – 105 Stockbridge Street

- DEP had not issued a file number or comments on this application prior to meeting.
- Motion made by Stephen to continue the hearing to the July 11th, 2023 meeting at 6:30pm, seconded by Edwin, all in favor.

Emergency Permit – 14 Hockanum Road

- Commission ratified the Emergency Certification for removal of beaver and placement of mesh barrier.

Other Business

- Commission voted unanimously to elect Ray as the new CPA representative.
- Commission received application of Brandon Daniel to Conservation Commission, and had no objections.

- James Fitzgibbon inquired about necessary permitting required to construct a lean-to on an existing barn that is in proximity to a ditch. Commission recommended he file a Request for Determination for his project.
- Gary mentioned that he has several trees threatening his property and is hoping to remove them. Kayla will conduct a site visit prior to removal plans.

Bills

Updates

Upcoming Learning Opportunities

Minutes

- Motion made by Edwin to accept minutes from May 9th, 2023, seconded by Ray, all in favor.

Adjournment

- Motion made by Edwin to adjourn, seconded by Stephen, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.