

HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

December 12th, 2023

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

Conservation Commission Members Present: Ray Mieczkowski, Stephen Szymkowicz, Brandon Daniel, Gordon Smith, Kayla Loubriel (Staff)

Others Present: Kishore Parmar, Billie Li (MassDOT), Desforges

**6:30, Ray Opened the Hearing*

Request for Determination of Applicability – 6 Nashua Road

- Kayla reviewed the trees to be permitted for removal by the commission.
- Motion made by Gordon to issue a Negative 3 and 6 determination with the special conditions that stumps be left in place to a height of at least two feet, seconded by Ray, all voted in favor.

Request for Determination of Applicability – Route 116

- Billie Li presented on behalf of MassDOT about the proposed resurfacing and realignment work on Route 116.
- Stephen expressed concern regarding the necessity of the project and requested a traffic study.
- Ray requested a copy of MassDOT erosion and sedimentation control standards.
- Billie questioned the relevance of a traffic study and Kayla reminded the commission that they are only able to consider matters related to wetlands protection.
- Motion to continue the hearing to the January 9th, 2024 meeting at 6:30pm made by Brandon, seconded by Stephen, all voted in favor.

Other Business

- Kayla discussed a minor change being made to the UMass stream restoration project (DEP file #170-293) and the commission had no issues with it.

Bills

Updates

Upcoming Learning Opportunities

Minutes

- Motion to accept minutes from the November 14th meeting made by Brandon, seconded by Stephen, 3 in favor with Gordon abstaining as he had missed the November 14th meeting.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn made by Gordon, seconded by Brandon, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm.