

HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

December 14th, 2021

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Meeting conducted in person at the Hadley Senior Center

Present: Gary Pelissier, Chair; Edwisen Matuszko, Gordon Smith, Steve Szymkowicz, Ray Mieczkowski, and Shyla Davis Conservation Staff

Also Present: Jane Nevin Smith of the Select Board, Dale Eddy of Nexamp, Tony Somers of SWCA, and John of Hadley Media

1. 6:30 PM Gary began the meeting.

2. Request for Determination of Applicability Public Meeting, continued.

Nexamp seeks to modify solar array for energy storage by installing concrete pads and poles in buffer zone off *Westgate Center Dr.* (Map 10D Parcel 29).

- Project presented and questions answered by Tony Somers, SWCA
 - Clarified that no work will occur in the 35' no-disturb zone, only in the 100' state outlined buffer zone
- Gary entertained a motion to close this project, made by Gordon and seconded by Edwin; all voted in favor
- Gary entertained a motion to issue a negative determination, #3, with the conditions that erosion control be implemented as described in the plans and that the Shyla and/or Gary be contacted before work begins, during construction, and upon completion and that we may conduct site visits to evaluate progress and adherence to the approved plan. This motion was made by Gordon, seconded by Edwin, all voted in favor.

Other Business

- Sign for Dawson Reserve: Shyla will obtain a quote from Amherst Copy and Design Works
- Commission members asked to sign the physical copy of the Emergency Certification previously approved for Mitch's Way tree cutting. All members obliged, and the signed document will be kept in the office for record.
- Commission members updated on the project on 6 French Street; the ConCom is awaiting a bank stabilization plan from the property owners. They have been contacted by Shyla who has yet to receive any details.
- Commission members asked to sign off on a Certificate of Compliance for the Western Mass Food Bank Farm well installation project at the Food Bank Farm off of Shattuck Rd. All members obliged and the signed document will be kept in the office for record.

Minutes

- March 9th: approved

- August 10th: approved
- September 14th: approved
- October 12th: approved
- November 9th: approved

Other Topics

Shyla updated the commissioners that she would be meeting with the town accountant on December 15th to make requests for the FY23 budget and asked whether the commissioners had any specific requests for budget categories/amounts. Nobody had any comments at the time.

Shyla also updated the commissioners that she had received inquiry from an applicant who had been approved to replace the headwall on the North side of a culvert on Knightly Rd. The applicant wished to replace the Southern headwall as well. The Commissioners advised requesting a new NOI application be filed.

Adjournment

Gary entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55, made by Gordon, seconded by Edwin, all voted in favor.