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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 11, 2019

Members Present: Mark Coakley, Chip Burkhardt, Joe McGrath, Michael Ruggieri

Members Absent: Dan Duffy, Jeffrey Walsh

Others Present: See Attached Sign-In Sheet

Recorder: Melanie Rich

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Consider issuing Certificates of Compliance for DEP#115-342 and Stormwater Control Permit SCP-2009-2 (Longley Hill) – STATUS UPDATE – Tabled to next meeting. A letter is expected in a few days from James Tetreault.

Consider extending Order of Conditions DEP#115-383 (Ken Rondeau) 114 Nicholas Avenue – Mr. Rondeau said what remains is to (1) rake out final grading and seeding (wait for grass to grow), and (2) install plantings and markers as described on plans which will be done as soon as the weather allows. Joe McGrath made a motion to grant a one-year extension to DEP#115-383 to expire March 22, 2020; Mark Coakley seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Vouchers were approved.

Correspondence and Emails:

Peer Review #3 from Graves Engineering regarding the 59 Warren Street Definitive Subdivision states in #12 “January 2019 comment: The rain garden has been omitted and GEI understands that the Conservation Commission has approved this change.” The Commission was unaware of the change. The Commission issued a Determination for the wetland delineation and granted a waiver to the Stormwater Control Bylaw because the proposed work was less than one acre. The Planning Board will be notified and possible action taken if needed.

An email was received from Chairman Duffy regarding his upcoming work schedule and the possibility of stepping down as the Chairman. It will be discussed at the next meeting so all members can be present.

Chip Burkhardt and Mark Coakley attended the budget meeting. The Finance Committee did question the money requested for a new computer and software update; they may approve a portion. Stormwater and the potential costs associated with compliance were discussed. The Finance Committee had no issues with the remaining budget.

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Joe McGrath said the Sudbury Valley Trustees (SVT) would like to work with the town to acquire the Draper property; they already have property on Mile Hill Road (Mile Hill Woods). They wanted to know if the Commission thought it would be worth talking to the Board of Selectmen. SVT would help the town get the grant to purchase the property, but the grant would only be 50% of the value. SVT thinks the asking price will be approximately one million dollars, leaving the town to fund the remaining \$500K. The members agreed to have them bring it to the Board of Selectmen and see what feedback they receive. Mr. McGrath will let them know and ask them to come to the Commission before presenting to the Board of Selectmen.

Mark Coakley made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes dated January 14, 2019; Joe McGrath seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

March 18th was confirmed as the next meeting date.

Joe McGrath made a motion to adjourn; Mike Ruggieri seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.