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## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

### **OCTOBER 20, 2014**

Members Present: Mark Coakley, Joe McGrath, Jeff Walsh

Members Absent: Chip Burkhardt, Shannon Holgate

Others Present: See Attached Sign-In Sheet

Recorder: Melanie Rich

**Farooq Ansari – Longley Hill Update and Request for Commission Sign-Off for Lot 9** – Mr. Ansari told of the progress he made. He said the area was hydroseeded, but only a portion is growing. The right side of the project is 80%-85% complete. He also said the hill is grown and stabilized. Mark Coakley said Mr. Ansari has made efforts, but it is not all stable. He is concerned that with winter coming, more permanent erosion controls (rather than hay bales) should be installed for the water going into the catch basins. Jeff Walsh said no matter what is being used to divert the water, it will need to be maintained because of the snow plows. Mr. Ansari hopes to put the driveway in on Lot 7 so he can complete the berm on the right side. The only lot currently being worked on is Lot 7. He is asking for a sign off for a Building Permit for Lot 9 which he recently sold. Joe McGrath made a motion to approve the request to sign the Building Permit for Lot 9; Mark Coakley seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion approved.

**Compass Pointe – Status Report & Road Update** – Mr. Venincasa telephoned the office this afternoon to say he could not make the meeting tonight.

### **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Vouchers were approved.

Mark Coakley made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes dated September 15, 2014 with changes noted; Joe McGrath seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion approved.

November 17<sup>th</sup> was confirmed as the next meeting date.

**Consider issuing a Certificate of Compliance to Maureen Duca, DEP #115-38 (150 Stiles Road, Lot 5)** – Joe McGrath made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for DEP #115-38; Mark Coakley seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion approved.

**Consider issuing a Certificate of Compliance to Mario Villani, DEP #115-366 (Central Street)** – At the onset of the discussion, Mr. Villani was not present. There was no supporting documentation submitted with the request for a Certificate of Compliance. Mark Coakley read the brief narrative that was submitted with the Abbreviated Notice of Intent and said more than twelve trees were taken down within the 200' riverfront area. The road constructed is reasonably

stable. Joe McGrath said that if more logging than originally proposed was done, he would like to see engineered plans, not a survey. Mark Coakley said it was graded enough to change the topography. The drop inlet is in rough shape, so whatever drains goes directly into it which crosses under the street and goes into Cold Harbor Brook. The sand will also need to be looked at. The Abbreviated Notice of Intent states that the total area of riverfront on the site of the proposed project that will be affected is 150' of bordering vegetated wetlands. Calculations need to be done from the high water mark which is on the bank on the other side of the road. The members agreed that a site visit was necessary. Joe McGrath said that after reviewing the Order, Condition #30 requires as-built plans. At 7:30 p.m. Mr. Villani arrived. He prepared a chart on the rainfall and runoff in support of his request for a Certificate of Compliance. Jeff Walsh asked if he was present during the storm event. Mr. Villani said he went there after the storm since that would be the time there would be runoff. Jeff Walsh said there was a concern as to how much work was done in the riverfront area; therefore a site visit is needed and the request will be continued until next month. Mr. Villani was in agreement and said he is in no rush to receive the compliance. He was reminded that according to the Order, Condition #30 states that he must submit as-built plans. The Commission needs to be sure the work was completed in accordance with the plans and Order of Conditions. He was told to focus on the extent of disturbance and work within the jurisdictional area to the Commission which is 200' from the high water mark on the other side of the road.

**Consider issuing a Certificate of Compliance to the Estate of Richard Goodell c/o Leland Law Offices, DEP #115-291 (99 Rocky Pond Road)** – Mark Coakley made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for DEP #115-291; Joe McGrath seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion approved.

**Consider issuing Certificates of Compliance to Tahanto Regional Middle/High School, DEP #115-351 (1001 Main Street) and Stormwater Control Permit #SCP-2010-3** – Mark Coakley made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for both the Order of Conditions (DEP #115-351) and Stormwater Control Permit (SCP#2010-3); Joe McGrath seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion approved.

**Robert Fuller Update (Shrewsbury Street)** – Fill is being put in. Members will continue to check on it.

**Title Search Funding (Conservation Lots)** – Joe McGrath said that as part of the Tri-Town Landscape Protection program, the Commission has requested that the town place thirteen town-owned lots into conservation status in order to create a large composite protection area around Mt. Pisgah and Wrack Meadow. Only two lots have clear titles, leaving eleven lots to be researched. Seven lots will require a minimal search at a cost of \$100 each (\$700); the four remaining older lots that don't have a book and page will require a more extensive search at a cost of \$300 each (\$1,200). The title searches will be performed under the auspices of Stephen Madaus, Town Counsel. Joe McGrath made a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$1,900 from the Wetland Protection Fund for the purpose of obtaining preliminary title reports for eleven lots of town-owned property adjacent to Wrack Meadows; Mark Coakley seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion approved.

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Joe McGrath said he has been checking the reports from Integra Construction & Development Corporation for the Chehade project as they come in bi-weekly. He has also spoken with Nick Sivieri, the Construction Supervisor doing the site work.

Joe McGrath made a motion to adjourn; Mark Coakley seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 8:00 p.m.