

Conservation Commission Minutes

June 12, 2018

Richmond Town Hall

1529 State Road, Richmond, MA

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Ronald Veillette, Co-Chair; Adam Weinberg; Nick Martinelli; John Scorpa, Associate; Shepley Evans, Conservation Agent.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Freya Segal, Co-Chair; Patrick Seckler; Robert Dahlen; Daniel Scorpa, Associate.

APPLICANTS and OTHERS ATTENDING: Peter & Preciosa Krause

Mr. Veillette opened the meeting at 7:04 PM and requested that anyone making an audio or video recording of the meeting should please identify themselves. No one did so.

Review & Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on May 8, 2018 had previously been circulated for review. **Motion by Mr. Veillette, seconded by Mr. Evans, to approve the minutes of May 8, 2018 as circulated. Unanimous approval.**

Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) filed under the *MA Wetlands Protection Act* submitted by Evelyn Loeb & Miles Garfinkel. Subject property is #293 Shore Road, Richmond, Map 101 Lot 138. The proposed work consists of cutting down and removing a large Sugar Maple tree. The tree stump shall remain in place. **Motion by Mr. Weinberg, seconded by Mr. Martinelli, to approve and issue a Negative Determination #3. Unanimous approval.**

Review of Open Space and Recreation Plan – Follow up responsibilities for the Richmond Pond Association in 2018 approved at the May 22 Richmond Pond Association board meeting.

It was agreed that Mr. Evans would mail copies of this material to Commission Members that could not be present for this meeting.

Review of Scenic Mountain Area jurisdiction for construction of a new barn at 26 Wood Lot Road, Richmond, Map 407 Lot 13. **It was agreed** that the commission would seek the opinion of Foresight Land Services, Inc. as to elevation and slope of the site for the new barn.

Discussion of scheduling the retention of consultant/arborist Tom Ingersoll to advise the Commission on tree species selection & location at the King residence following the site visit to the property on May 17, 2018. Mr. Evans informed the Commission that Mr. King's Order of Conditions (permit) had expired. **It was agreed** that Mr. Evans would prepare an Enforcement Order for the Commission to review and consider issuing at the next regular monthly meeting.

Review of the updated "Conservation Commission Instruction for Applicants". It was agreed to have the updated instructions put up on the Town Web Site.

Other topics not reasonably anticipated by the chair:

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The Commission reviewed a letter from Sonya Kurzweil seeking permission to use algicide in the Kurzweil Fire Pond. It was agreed that Mrs. Kurzweil would have to file for a permit to use an algicide.

The suggestion was made to close the public hearing on the Notice of Intent (File #271-0197) for dam repairs and outlet structure replacement at Rose Pond. **Motion by Mr. Weinberg, seconded by Mr. Veillette, to close the public hearing on NOI 271-0197. Unanimous approval.**

Adjournment: Hearing no objection, Mr. Veillette adjourned the meeting at 8:08 PM.