

# Deerfield Conservation Commission – Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2023

**Members Present:** Peter Law, Sean Libbey and Kate Devlin

**Members Absent:** Ben Byrne

**Town Staff & Other Board Members Present:** Amy Hahn, Building Assistant

## Notes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, virtually via Zoom

Minutes of the January 26, 2023 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written with a motion from Kate Devlin seconded by Sean Libbey. Roll call vote approved, 3-0-0.

**Note:** In the December 22, 2022 meeting the minutes from 11/24/2022 were reviewed and accepted as written with a motion from Sean Libbey, seconded by Kate Devlin and roll call vote approved – 4:0:0 and this note was accidentally left out of the minutes from 12/22/2022.

## New Business

- Tree Clearing 0 Clark Cross Road, Map 113 Lot 8

Letter notified the commission of a harvesting activities at 0 Clark Road. There was no permit by the state for cutting plan and no NOI has been filed. Ms. Wright-Hunter noted work occurred within probably resource areas and shared concerns regarding the exposed soils. Requested that Mr. Avery (current owner of plot) attend meeting. Current intent is that the plot be used for agriculture, perhaps as a hay field, but plot will need to be stumped. After discussion, Sean Libbey made a motion that we move forward with an initial site visit at 0 Clark Crossroad in the near future to review the tree clearing to determine if any additional requirements will be necessary for the Conservation Commission on the future work on the property. Kate Devlin seconded, Roll call vote approved, 3-0-0.

- 72 Mill Village Road, Map 123 Lot 18

Received an email from citizen noting unregistered cars, construction yard debris. Citizen asked us to take a look at it and asked Mark Stinson, DEP, for comments. Board of Health will work with property owner initially and will bring in other town departments as needed. May need a site visit in future.

- Atlas Farm compost notice, County Road

Compost pile not being turned, Board of Health rep. Richard Calisewski went out and looked and will reply on behalf of the town.

## Old Business

- Correspondence, Mill Village Road Map 132 Lots 29 & 30

Still under discussion. Gardners hired their own wetland specialist to flag the wetland, however, Conservation Commission will need a peer review of the delineation. Legal counsel reviewing correspondence.

### **General Discussion**

- Order of Conditions – has support of Sean Libbey and Kate Devlin. Peter Law will work with Amy to get finalized on the right letter head
- Peter Law and Kate Devlin attended Planning Board Meeting (2/6/2023) Conservation Commission should expect a Notice of Intent (NOI) from Sunny Daze in time for March meeting
- Expect a NOI from Eaglebrook School regarding new Dining Hall Construction
- Treehouse Brewery still has erosion controls in place – Peter Law will follow up with them also with regard to Educational Signage
- Town of Leyden is working on Japanese Knotweed Control and we might be able to work with them on educational materials.

### **Mail**

- Eversource Vegetation Maintenance Activities Letter
- MACC Annual Environmental Conference – coming up in March
- Eaglebrook: Whipple Pond OOC mandated report
- MassWoods Keystone Project Training

### **Items Unanticipated 48 hours prior to posting**

- 340 Greenfield Road – general questions – there is purchase interest from Mike Hatch. Noted that there is an old NOI that was not acted on, however, all old paperwork has expired and new plans would need to be submitted for any new actions.

### **Upcoming Meeting: March 23rd, 2023, 7 pm.**

Sean Libbey motioned to adjourn at 8:34 pm, Kate Devlin Seconded. Roll call vote to approve: 3:0:0

Respectfully submitted, Kate Devlin, Conservation Commission

All Materials and Documents discussed during this meeting are publicly available on the Town of Deerfield's website (excepting those in draft form).

The link to the Conservation Commission page is:

<https://www.deerfieldma.us/243/Conservation-Commission>.