

MEETING MINUTES

Waterford Conservation Commission
Waterford Town Hall

March 12, 2020
6:30 PM

Members Present:	Dave Lersch, Geneva Renegar and Michael Stankov (2 Vacancies)
Members Absent:	Tali Maidelis and Richard Muckle (notified)
Alternates Present:	Wade Thomas
Alternates Absent:	Julie Wainscott (1 Vacancy)
Staff Present:	Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner Katrina Kotfer, Recording Secretary

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

D. Lersch called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. W. Thomas was seated for R. Muckle.

2. APPROVAL of the February 27, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by M. Stankov to approve the February 27, 2020 meeting minutes.

Vote: 4-0

3. APPLICATION REVIEW

C-20-03 994 Hartford Turnpike – Proposed Manufacturing Facility: Walter John Senkow – Owner, Yost Manufacturing & Supply – Applicant, CLA Engineers, Inc. – Agent

Ellen Bartlett, CLA Engineers and John Carlin were present for the application.
The Commission reviewed the draft permit.

Motion: Motion by W. Thomas, second by G. Renegar to approve the draft permit.

Vote: 4-0

C-20-05 54 Rope Ferry Road – Drainage System: Rope Ferry Condominium Association, Inc. – Owner & Applicant, Edward H. Wenke III, PE – Agent

The Commission reviewed the draft permit.

Motion: Motion by W. Thomas, second by M. Stankov to approve the draft permit.

Vote: 4-0

4. NEW APPLICATIONS

C-20-06 21 Fourth Avenue – Stream Channel Maintenance - Paul & Kacie Klee – Owner & Applicant

Paul Klee was present for the application. Mr. Klee reviewed his submitted application materials and explained that he had removed branches and debris from the waterway on his property as they were collecting trash. The work was done by handrake. He also cut briar shrubs from the wetland. He would like to maintain the channel and the adjacent wetland area that was cleared. He requested permission to remove dead and fallen trees near the stream channel. He proposes to replant the wetland area with sweet pepper bush.

The Commission requested the cleared wetland area be re-planted with native species and to coordinate with the Commission's agent as to the type and number of plants. Commission members noted that the briars will likely regenerate and will need to be re-cut. Commissioners requested that a wetland non-encroachment area be established at the top of the stream embankment as part of the permit authorization.

Motion: Motion by M. Stankov, second by G. Renegar to have staff prepare a draft permit.
Vote: 4-0

5. VIOLATIONS

21 Fourth Avenue – Unauthorized Clearing of Vegetation

The property owner submitted a permit application earlier in the meeting.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- Algonquin Gas Line Inspection – Old Colchester Road
Staff reviewed the notification. The Commission directed staff to have Algonquin Gas notify the Commissions agent when the proposed work begins and is completed.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- To discuss pending litigation, entitled Kobyluck vs. Town of Waterford Conservation Commission.
No discussion occurred and the Commission did not enter executive session.

8. CONSERVATION COMMISSION TASKS

Open Space Planning

No discussion occurred.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

10. PAYMENT OF BILLS

No bills were received.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by M. Stankov, to adjourn at 6:57 p.m.
Vote: 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,


Katrina Kotfer
Recording Secretary