

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR
AUGUST 21, 1991



MEMBERS PRESENT: John Chalmers, Pete Shanahan, Ann Shubert, Charlotte Timlege

CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATOR: Tom Tidman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Andrea MacKenzie

VISITORS: David Abbt, Marjory M. Evans, Marjory M. Evans, Jr., Electra & Karl Coumou

7:40 Mr. Chalmers called the meeting to order.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS - The Commission heard citizen's concerns.

7:45 REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION - 8 - 10 Phalen Street

Mr. Chalmers opened the meeting under MGL Chapter 131, Section 40 of the Wetlands Protection Act, and the Town of Acton Bylaw for the routine maintenance to a partially clogged culvert within a wetland and buffer zone.

The Administrator reported that the Town of Acton Highway Department has filed this request to do the above mentioned work, but the Superintendent has not indicated how he proposes to do the work; whether by hand or by machine.

The residents of 10 Phalen Street, Mr. & Mrs. Coumou stated that there has been a noticeable change in the ability of storm runoff to drain since this culvert has become clogged.

Mr. Shanahan noted that there is a provision within the Act to conduct routine maintenance of drainage systems, although the question needs to be answered on how this work will be conducted.

Mr. Shanahan moved to continue this meeting until September 4, 1991 to gather further information on how the work will be conducted.

Ms. Shubert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8:06 REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION - Post Office Square & Route 27

Mr. Chalmers opened the meeting under MGL Chapter 131, Section 40 of the Wetlands Protection Act, and the Town of Acton Bylaw for the installation of a traffic signal within 100' of a wetland at Post Office Square on Route 27.

Mr. David Abbt, Engineering Administrator for the Town of Acton, presented plans showing a concrete pad (approximately 5' X 3') for the proposed traffic signal control cabinet. Work proposed is within the right of way for Route 27 on existing lawn approximately 14' from the edge of wetland. Haybales are shown along the edge of the wetlands. This particular wetlands is adjacent to Route 27 and ranges 10' to 20' from the edge of existing pavement.

Mr. Shanahan asked if the haybales could be placed on the outer edge of the wetland, as opposed to the inside the edge of wetland. Mr. Abbt stated that this was a reasonable request, and agreed.

Ms. Shubert stated that this proposal is a safety issue, and should be done.

8:19 Hearing no further comments or questions, Mr. Chalmers closed the meeting.

Mr. Shanahan moved to find the work as presented to be with the Commission's jurisdiction, but will not impact the wetlands. Ms. Timlege seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

5 Tenney Circle 85-22 - The Administrator reported that he has received a letter requesting a certificate for 5 Tenney Circle. This house was built in 1977 in accordance with the Order of Conditions on file, and the owners never asked for a certificate.

Mr. Shanahan moved to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 5 Tenney Circle. Ms. Shubert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Audubon Hill - Units 18, 20, 28, 30 Brewster Lane - The Administrator reported that the High Street PCRC Trust has requested that the above noted units be released from the Order of Conditions. The Administrator stated that his inspection found the units to be in compliance and stable.

Mr. Shanahan moved to issue a Certificate of Compliance for Units 18, 20, 28, and 30 Brewster Lane of Audubon Hill, DEP # 85-265.

Lot 9 Stoneymeade Way - The Administrator reported that the applicant has requested a certificate for Lot 9 Stoneymeade, DEP 85-301. His inspection found it to be in compliance with the Order of Conditions, and stable.

Ms. Timlege moved to issue a Certificate of Compliance for DEP #85-301, Lot 9 Stoneymeade Way. Ms. Shubert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8:38 Meeting Adjourned.

Andrew Sheehan
Andrew Sheehan, Chairman

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AGENDA

ROOM 126

7:30 CITIZEN'S CONCERNs

WETLANDS PROTECTION

7:45 REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION - 8-10 Phalen Street

Routine maintenance to a partially clogged culvert. Brush and silt has accumulated behind the culvert causing the abutting house's basement to become wet.

8:00 REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION - Route 27 & Post Office Square

Installation of a traffic signal at Post Office Square, and Route 27. The pole installation will occur on the cut grass shoulder across Rt. 27 from Post Office Square.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

- Lot 9 Stoneymeade Way
- Unit 18 Audubon Hill

BUSINESS

F.A.D. -Donation to Arboretum handicapped accessible trails.
See attached letter

MINUTES

June 5 & 19
July 24
August 7 Enclosed within

NEXT MEETING - September 4 & 18