



Acton Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

November 1st, 2023

7:15 PM

Hybrid Meeting (Room 204 & Zoom)

Present: Terry Maitland (Chair), Jim Colman (Vice-Chair), Jillian Peters, Peter Hocknell, Zywnia Chadzynska, Kate Warwick

Absent: Amy Green

Conservation Agent: Mike Gendron

7:15 The Chair, Terry Maitland, opened the meeting and read virtual meeting guidelines.

7:15 **Public Concerns:**

Terra from Mass Ave asked the Commission to consider changing future agendas from using the language “citizens’ concerns” to “public concerns”. Also, Terra asked that on future agendas include proactive approaches to wetland protection.

Regular Business

7:21 **Request for Determination:** 72 Arlington Street

Representing the applicant was Cortni Frecha. Cortni explained that the proposed project was to build a deck landing inside of the 100-foot wetland buffer zone. David Crossman of B&C associates delineated the wetlands. The only ground disturbance would be two hand dug holes for the installation of sonotubes. All materials will be stored outside of the 100 ft buffer zone.

The Chair closed the hearing at 7:28 PM

Decision:

Jillian Peters moved to issue a negative 3 determination.

Kate Warwick seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

7:30 **Request for Determination:** 24 Conant Street

No representative was present. The hearing was not opened and would be put on the November 15th agenda.



7:32 **Discussion:** Spring Hill Farm Conservation Restriction

David Hardt and Susan Mitchell-Hardt addressed the Commission requesting that they issue a Municipal Certification for a conservation restriction on their property at 328 Pope Road. David explained the background on the parcel and the details regarding the portion that would be put under conservation restriction (CR). Acton Conservation Trust would hold the CR. Mike Gendron explained that a Municipal Certification is a statement to the State that the Commission believes the protection of this parcel has public benefit.

The Chair mentioned that Susan Mitchell-Hardt had just been recognized by Sudbury Valley Trustees for her work to protect land in Acton, in the form of a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Decision:

Jim Colman moved that the Commission sign the Municipal Certification for the Spring Hill Farm Conservation ~~Responsible Items~~
Peter Hocknell seconded; the motion passed unanimously

Certificate of Compliance: 3 Brookside Circle

Peter Hocknell moved to issue the Certificate of Compliance.
Zywia Chadzynska seconded and the motion passed.

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Peter Hocknell moved to approve as amended, Zywia Chadzynska seconded and the vote upheld the motion

8:05 Meeting adjourned