

HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

February 13th, 2024

Meeting conducted via Zoom

Conservation Commission Members Present: Gary Pelissier (Chair), Ray Mieczkowski, Stephen Szymkowicz, Brandon Daniel, Kayla Loubriel (Staff)

Others Present: Marc and Sarah Mailhott, Lionel and Wendy Desforges, Janet Trehey, Doug Serrill, Colton Dana, Connor Bailey, Christian Brannelly, Luke DiStefano

**6:31, Gary Opened the Hearing*

Request for Extension Order of Conditions #170-278 – 3 Mitch's Way

- Wendy and Lionel Desforges presented their request for an extension on the Order of Conditions permitting seasonal placement of campers on their riverfront property. No major changes are proposed.
- Kayla asked the commission if they would consider waiving the extension permit fee of \$100 as the property owners already have to pay a renewal fee to the Building Department for the camper permit issued through them.
- Motion to waive the \$100 local filing fee made by Gary, seconded by Stephen, all voted in favor.
- Motion to issue an extension Order of Conditions for another three years made by Ray, seconded by Brandon, all voted in favor.

Request for Determination of Applicability – Hopkins Academy Athletic Fields

- Doug Serrill presented the proposed drainage ditch maintenance and clearing on the ditch adjacent to the Hopkins Academy Athletic Fields and running through several agricultural fields.
- Motion to issue a negative 5 and 6 determination with an agricultural exemption made by Stephen, seconded by Ray, all voted in favor.

Emergency Certification – 3 Mill Site Road

- Kayla summarized the situation with the collapsed septic tank and proposed new tank and leach field further from any wetland resource areas.
- Motion to ratify the Emergency Certification made by Gary, seconded by Stephen, all voted in favor.

Public Comment

- Marc and Sarah Mailhott asked the commission for advice on proceeding with building a house in the buffer zone and Natural Heritage Estimated Rare Species Habitat. The commission advised submitting an RDA.
- Christian Brannelly presented a proposed storage facility site plan behind Stop and Shop. The commission advised submitting an NOI as there are substantial wetlands in that area.

Discussion Items:

- Other business:
 - o The commission approved the draft annual report 2023 for submission.
 - o Kayla did not have the tree removal policy draft ready and will bring one to the next meeting.
 - o The commission chose a tentative date for Paul Alexanderson's memorial tree planting of April 27th with a rain date of April 28th. Kayla will check in with the family.

Brandon Daniel left the meeting at 7:17pm

- Bills: The commission approved spending \$215 out of the tuition budget for Kayla to attend the MACC annual environmental conference and a MACC online course.
- Minutes: Motion to approve the January 9th, 2023 minutes made by Ray, seconded by Stephen, all voted in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.