

Stratham Conservation Commission Public Minutes
6/14/17

Present: Tim Copeland, Brad Jones, Bob Keating, Bill Kenny, Bill McCarthy, Pat Elwell
Town Planner Tavis Austin
Dena Community Education Liaison

7:03 meeting called to order

Community Outreach Liaison

Community Outreach Liaison Dena Stern announced she will be stepping down as the Outreach Coordinator. She offered to continue to do radio spots for any programs we would like to have. The Commission thanked her for all her efforts on behalf of the town.

Subdivision Proposal

Chris Albert, Jones and Beach and landowner Mark Perlowski presented a proposal for a development of two homes on 14 & 16 Wiggin Way. The parcel is a 14 acre piece left over from Wiggin Subdivision. They are looking to divide it into two lots: 5.56 the other 9.03 lots. They would like to add a 700 foot driveway which would impact 650 sq ft of forested wetland. They will have a culvert as part of the crossing for critter crossing and to help with wetland connectivity. Discussion about other options, this configuration had the least wetland impact.

Tim moved to support the DES minimum expedited form, which allows the application to move forward in 30 days instead of 75 days, Bob seconded. Members voted in favor, Pat abstained. Bill M reviewed the application before signing.

Public Outreach

Melissa Gahr came to the Commission looking for a map of bikeable/walkable conservation properties. While a map doesn't exist, she was referred to the NRI which has that information listed.

Compost Bin/Rain Barrel Sales

Bill K received an additional request for a compost bin. He will get it out to the individual. SMS is still waiting for a replacement rain barrel because it arrived with a crack. Bill has been trying to get another rain barrel and was sent a compost bin instead. He will continue to try to work with NRRRA to get the correct container.

Minutes

5/24 minutes approved with changes, Pat moved, Bob seconded. Motion approved.

Rollins Hill Subdivision

Allison received an email from Rob Rosene regarding fence around vernal pools at Rollins Hill subdivision. Apparently fence that was installed is already falling down. He is suggesting medallions be placed in the area. It would seem that this is not in keeping with our intent to protect this area. Bill M will ask Dr. Rosene to provide photos and more information so that we can make a more informed decision.

Tim moved, Bob seconded adjourning meeting at 8:10 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Elwell