

**TOWN OF ACTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Minutes**

**June 6, 2018**

**7:15 PM**

**TOWN HALL - 472 MAIN STREET  
ROOM 204**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Terry Maitland, William Froberg, Jim Colman, Tim McKinnon, Jennifer Stolz, Paula Goodwin

**Associate Commissioner:** Sue Flint

**NATURAL RESOURCES DIRECTOR & RECORDING SECRETARY:** Tom Tidman

**VISITORS:** Paul Campbell, Matt Kearney from GPI

**7:15 Request for Determination (continuance): Taylor Road Sidewalk**

Paul Campbell, Engineer for the Town of Acton, continued his presentation from April 4, 2018. He presented a set of complete plans that included details of the catch-basin construction as well as storm drainage calculations. He explained that the Taylor Road side walk is on the priority list of sidewalks and that Taylor Road is on the repaving list for 2018. Taylor Road is being narrowed to 10 feet wide lanes, while adding a 5 foot wide sidewalk and curbing. Runoff will be directed to the low point, where two catch basins are being added. Currently all run off sheet-flows directly into wetlands.

**Decision:** Tim McKinnon moved to issue a negative 3 determination, that is the work described in the Request is within the Buffer Zone, as defined in the regulations, but will not alter an Area subject to protection under the Act. Therefore, said work does not require the filing of a Notice of Intent. Jennifer Stolz seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**7:20 Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Discussion**

*Additional impacts to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands have been identified that were not included in the original Notice of Intent. A Massachusetts Department of Transportation representative has provided information to the Commission, and is requesting direction as to the need to file an amended Notice of Intent.*

The Commission discussed the issue and formulated two questions to be presented to Town Counsel:

1. Could the project be opened up just for that one section?
2. Does notification have to be applied to the entire length of the rail trail?

**7:30 Certificate of Completion, Consent Order: 41 Esterbrook Road**

The Commission discussed the possibility of requesting yearly mowing to maintain the replication area as a wet meadow. Jim Colman suggested that a letter be sent with the Consent Order Certificate of Completion saying that the Commission would like to have the meadow mowed yearly.

Terry Maitland stated that, once approved and signed, the Certificate of Completion will be recorded.

**Decision:** Jim Colman moved to issue the Certificate of Completion; Tim McKinnon seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

**8:00 Request for Determination: 8 Spencer Road**

*Nathan Ogdahl, applicant, for a project at 8 Spencer Road (town atlas plate F2, parcel 143). The project is the installation of a split rail fence and a wire mesh fence within the 50 foot buffer zone.*

Nathan Ogdahl presented the project, explaining the purpose of the fence being the containment of his dog. He pointed out that the only digging within the buffer zone would be in the most eastern portion of the project.

**Decision:** Jim Colman(?) Moved to issue a Negative 3 Determination (see Taylor Road decision above). Tim McKinnon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**7:50 National Grid: Proposed Gas Line Projects for 2018**

The Commission briefly discussed the work proposed for this summer at School Street. The proposed routine maintenance will not require a wetlands filing.

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**Decision:** Tim McKinnon moved to accept the minutes of May 16, 2018; Jennifer Stolz seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

  
Terry Maitland  
Chairperson

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Review notification

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