



Town of West Boylston
140 Worcester Street, West Boylston, Massachusetts 01583

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Date / Time / Location of Meeting
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Monday, 7-9-2018/7:00 p.m./West Boylston Town Offices, Rm. 120/131

Members Present

William Chase (Chair), John Hadley (Vice-Chair), David Mercurio (Vice-Chair), Emily Eaton, Carl Haarmann (Associate Member), Katelyn Ivers (Associate Member as of 6/6/18) and Clerk Toby Goldstein.

Members NOT Present

Mark Meola

Invited Guests

N/A

Welcome – Call to Order

Time: 7:02 p.m. (Motion made by Ms. Eaton, seconded by Mr. Mercurio)

Approval of Previous Minutes

June 4, 2018 Meeting

Motion Originator Ms. Hadley

Motion Seconded Mr. Eaton

Treasurer – Financial Report

Mr. Chase reviewed the latest financial report, dated 5/31/18, with the board.

Motion to Accept N/A

Seconded N/A

At 7:02 pm, Ms. Eaton made a motion to open the meeting. Mr. Mercurio seconded. All in favor.

Request for Final Certificate of Compliance, Afra Terrace Condominium Association, DEP File #327-0221:

Mr. Chase explained to those present that he wanted to issue an overall Certificate of Compliance for this Order of Conditions, rather than for individual units, as had been previously done. There were apparently two DEP numbers for this project, and a final Certificate of Compliance was only issued for the other DEP number, 327-0182. With no questions or comments from anyone present, Mr. Hadley made a motion to issue a complete

Certificate of Compliance for Afra Terrace, DEP File #327-0221. Ms. Eaton seconded. All in favor. (David Femia, Chair of ZBA, asked for the ZBA to receive a copy-Mr. Chase responded that they would do so, and will send the original to the management company).

Future RDA on 166 Temple St. property:

Mr. Chase explained that this was an ANR lot next to the solar panels that were placed where the dump was, and that this Lot 1. He said that the buyer filed an RDA, but too late to be on this meeting's agenda. In response to a question from Mr. Femia, Mr. Chase replied that this property is a little over an acre in size, and was purchased already, and the buyer wants to do her due diligence. Mr. Hadley asked if there was a gas issue there from the prior dump? Mr. Chase replied that it would be an EPA concern as it would be an air quality problem. Mr. Mercurio and Mr. Chase discussed why this property needed an RDA from the Commission.

Approval of Minutes from prior meeting-JUNE 4, 2018:

After review of the draft minutes prior to the meeting, Mr. Hadley made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Ms. Eaton seconded. All in favor.

MACC Membership 2018-19:

The board received the paperwork to submit to MACC for annual membership and dues. Regarding the opportunity to order publications for the board, Mr. Chase said that the board will renew membership, but will not order any publications due to finances.

Introduction of Katelyn Ivers, Associate Member:

Ms. Ivers discussed her background with the Concomm members, which included being a member of the FISP Committee and being involved in the Police Station and Senior Center projects. She was a student at University of New Hampshire and studied Urban Planning and Conservation Science, and she will soon have her Master's Degree in Urban Planning. She mentioned that she has experience with grant writing, and is doing marketing and communications for a clean energy company and offered to help the board with anything involving communications.

Update on Briarwood:

Mr. Chase had nothing new to report regarding progress on the project. Mr. Hadley mentioned that the applicant is going to their final Planning Board meeting on Wednesday, June 6. Mr. Chase said that they are all set with Worcester permitting.

Treasurer's Report and/or financial approvals:

Mr. Chase saw the monthly statement, dated 5/31/18, and discussed it with the board members.

Miscellaneous Mail and/or Paperwork:

Mr. Chase looked through mail not previously seen.

Next scheduled meeting:

The next scheduled meeting is – **MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2018**

Informal Discussion Regarding Century Drive by Mr. Hadley:

Mr. Hadley discussed that the owners of the Century Drive property (St. Pierre) are going to subdivide a property for the Girl Scouts, but there was concern as Mass Materials Research (MMR) has the same title number, the Girl Scouts' property is joined to MMR's, and they want to be sure that the DEP number 327-0162 given at one time to MMR for an Order of Conditions only applies to Mass Materials Research; there is still a cloud on title for this Order. Mr. Chase responded that the Concomm will issue an overall permit. Also, the attorney wants a letter

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion Originator Ms. Eaton

Motion Seconded Mr. Hadley

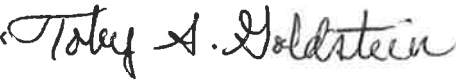
Time of Adjournment 7:30 p.m.

Signatures



Submitted by:

Toby S. Goldstein, Clerk



Date Submitted:

8/6/18

from the Commission stating that the DEP number only applies to MMR. Mr. Hadley made a motion that the Concomm will issue a letter to this effect. Ms. Eaton seconded. All in favor.

Informal Discussion Regarding Poison Ivy by Mr. Mercurio:

Mr. Mercurio asked the board if they could do anything regarding spraying for poison ivy in West Boylston? Mr. Chase opined that it might be an issue for Water District. Mr. Hadley opined that it would be involved mostly with DCR, and asserted that they said that they were going to keep up with the maintenance of it. Mr. Chase asked Mr. Mercurio if Concomm should give a letter to the Board of Selectmen? Mr. Mercurio responded that perhaps the letter could recommend some ongoing program of spraying as maintenance of the poison ivy. Mr. Chase said that the Commission will write a letter, and he asked for a motion to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen to recommend maintenance of the poison ivy. Mr. Mercurio made a motion that Concomm send a letter to DCR (Mr. Hadley suggested they "cc" the Selectmen)(according to Mr. Chase, the letter should go to the Board of Selectmen) suggesting a maintenance program to get rid of poison ivy. Ms. Eaton seconded. All in favor. (Mr. Chase then asked Ms. Ivers if she could look up what another town might have done regarding this issue so that Concomm could write up a synopsis of it).

With no further questions or comments, Mr. Mercurio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Ms. Eaton seconded. All in favor.

