

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Ms. Robb at 7:03 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Robb, Baker, Allen, Gerber, Manire-Gatti (arrived 7:15), Stein

Absent: Kaplan

Staff: Ciccarello

Public: Stephen Page, Jennifer Page, Chuck Dauchy, Steve Pikul, Chris Wall, Ed Conrad, Cathy Conrad, Alan Weiss

CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S ACTION

Discussion regarding the State Environmental Bond Bill

VOTED unanimously, to support the State Environmental Bond Bill.

Discussion regarding Beaver MOU

Postponed to a later meeting.

Discussion regarding restoration plan for Page property on Potwine Lane

Chuck Dauchy of The Berkshire Design Group presented the restoration plan for Stephen and Jennifer Page's property on Potwine Lane.

VOTED unanimously, to issue an Enforcement Order citing the restoration plan.

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously, to approve the Conservation Commission minutes of November 28, 2007 as amended.

PERMITS/CERTIFICATES

Request for Determination – Peter Kosakowski for determining whether a depression to be filled is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act located on West Bay Road (Map 25B, parcel 3).

- Opened the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.
- Closed the public hearing at 7:50 p.m.

Steve Pikul, of The Berkshire Design Group, presented.

VOTED unanimously, to close the public hearing and to issue a negative determination for the work.

Request for an Amended Order of Conditions – Berkshire Design Group for the National Yiddish Book Center for incorporating Fire Department requests for emergency access drive and emergency egress route from building exits and minor re-grading as required by the proposed changes on 1021 West Street (Map 25B, Parcel 63).

- Opened the public hearing at 7:52 p.m.

Chris Wall, of The Berkshire Design Group presented. Nicki Robb acknowledged that she is an employee of Hampshire College, but doesn't believe that this issue presents a conflict as it is a project for the National Yiddish Book Center and not the College. Chris Wall responded to Town Engineer Jason Skeels' letter and the concerns he expressed in the letter. Ms. Robb reiterated the material that the Conservation Commission and Town Engineer need: Point 2 in the letter – specific calculations on how much the increased runoff will be; Point #9 – calculations to support the 100 year storm event; and Point #10 – the applicant will provide specifics with regards to mitigating flows and infiltration into the ground when there is a footing drain.

VOTED unanimously, to continue the public hearing to January 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

Notice of Intent – Cold Spring Environmental Consultants Inc. for Sheila Stevens for construction of a single-family home with proposed crossing of an intermittent stream/drainage swale and Bordering Vegetated Wetland on 49 Overlook Drive (Map 6B, Parcel 49).

- Opened the public hearing at 8:23 p.m.

VOTED unanimously, to continue the public hearing to January 9, 2008 at 7:45 p.m.

Request for a Certificate of Compliance – 56 Kestrel Lane

VOTED unanimously, to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 56 Kestrel Lane.

Request for a Certificate of Compliance – 43 Hop Brook Road

VOTED unanimously, to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 43 Hop Brook Road.

Request for a Certificate of Compliance – 46 Hop Brook Road

VOTED unanimously, to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 46 Hop Brook Road.

Request for a Certificate of Compliance – 53 Woodlot Road

VOTED unanimously, to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 53 Woodlot Road.

MISCELLANEOUS

Discussion regarding Chuck Dauchy letter to DEP regarding Order of Conditions for Apple Brook Subdivision

Chuck Dauchy representing Paul Cole, appealed to DEP that if they are going to issue a Superseding Order, then they should strike water quality monitoring as one of the conditions. Liv Baker inquired as to whether a response to DEP is necessary. Stephanie Ciccarello will call DEP to inquire and will pen a letter if necessary on behalf of the Conservation Commission.

Water Supply Protection Committee

Discussion – need clarification. Liv Baker moved to appoint John Gerber to the Water Supply Protection Committee, Stein seconded, if Gerber agrees to serve.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn the open meeting at 8:52 p.m.