

## **Town of Becket Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes: October 11th, 2023**

The Becket Conservation Commission (BCC) Meeting was held at the Becket Town Hall in compliance with the MA hybrid open meeting laws allowing applicants, contractors, and consultants to participate in person, virtually, or by audio.

Commissioners in Attendance: Chair David Johnson, Jim Schaefer, Doug Bessone, John Verity, Henry Scarpo, and Nic Pietroniro Conservation Agent

Commissioners participating virtually: none

Commissioners not in attendance: Chris Clapper, Hank Hagenah,

Others in Attendance: Bob Alarie

Others participating virtually: none

The Chair called the October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting to order at **11:00** a.m. to have a quorum of five (5) Commissioners and indicated the meeting is NOT being recorded. The chair emphasized that the meeting agenda included introductory comments that wouldn't be read and that it is the responsibility of each applicant and all others in attendance to review the meeting protocol.

The Chair opened the meeting for public comment for items not on the agenda. Not hearing any comments, it was closed for public comment.

### **New Business:**

**1. Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by David Levenfeld for work associated with replacing the gravel driveway with permeable pavers within the Bufferzone of the bank of Center Pond at 229 South Cover Drive (Map 211, Lot 41).

Issues: Commission did a site visit on the morning of October 11 and asked some question about the functionality, and sustainability

- a. What engineering data is available to the Commission demonstrating viability, and sustainability given the driveway grade?
- b. Does the manufacturer have any examples of existing driveways installed at the same slope in similar construction and implementation of the pavers?

Motion by Jim for continuance, seconded by John for a subsequent meeting to be scheduled with following conditions:

- a. The consultant Greylock) will arrange for Jim and John to discuss directly with the pavers manufacturer's engineering department the project proposed on the RDA before scheduling a subsequent meeting.
- b. The said manufacturers' engineering department to provide credible documentation as to the viability and sustainability of the project given the drive grade.

Carried unanimously 5-0

**2. Request for a Certificate of Compliance:** Submitted by Kim Bergland for completion of the work associated with MassDEP#102-0069 issued 3/15/1990 at 151 Long Bow Lane W. (Map 213, Lot 71).

Issues: insufficient information

Motion: motion by Jim to continue to the October 24<sup>th</sup>, seconded by John, carried unanimously 5-0

**3. Request for a Certificate of Compliance:** Submitted by Kim Bergland for completion of the work associated with MassDEP#102-0223 issued 3/15/1990 at 151 Long Bow Lane W. (Map 213, Lot 71).

Issues: insufficient information

Motion: motion by Chris to continue to the October 24<sup>th</sup>, seconded by John, carried unanimously 5-0

**Motion for Adjournment:** motion to adjourn at 12:08 pm — carried unanimously 5-0

**Next meeting** Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in the Community Room, at 6:00 pm.

Prepared by Davd Johnson, BCC Chair, Edited 11/15/202