



Town of Becket Conservation Commission Meeting Agenda

Tuesday September 26th, 2023

Community Room, **6:00 PM**

Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street



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Introduction – 6:00 P.M.

- Introduction of the Commissioners
- Public input and comment for items not on the agenda

New Business:

1. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Berkshire Contractor LLC. for a proposed driveway within the Bufferzone of the bank of Yokum Pond at 0 Frederick Crt. (Map 203, Lot 18.6).
2. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Charles Corcoran for the work associated with the upgrade of a failed septic system within the Bufferzone of a BVW at 192 Benton Hill Rd. (Map 209, Lot 47).
3. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by AMBCF Holdings for the removal of 11 trees within the Bufferzone of a BVW at 3238 Main St. (Map 207, Lot 69).
4. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Art Feltman and Dale Wallington for the construction of an addition on a single family home within the Bufferzone of the Bank of Center Pond at 281 South Cove Rd. (Map 211, Lot 36).
5. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Amy M. Hayes for the work associated with additions to a single family home and the demolition and replacement of a garage for a new structure within the Bufferzone of Greenwater Pond at 152 Greenwater Dr. (Map 202, Lot 33).
6. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Kathryn Strohmer for the removal of four (4) trees within the Bufferzone of the Bank of Center Pond at 303 Old Pond Rd. (Map 210, Lot 54).
7. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Robert Benton for the installation of steps on a path within the Bufferzone of the Bank of Indian Lake at 0 Algeria Rd. (Map 219, Lot 230).
8. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Maureen Lally for the removal of four (4) trees within the Bufferzone of the Bank of Center Pond at 171 Old Pond Rd
9. **Notice of Intent:** Submitted by Foresight Land Services for a new driveway crossing through a BVW using two culverts, a boardwalk on helical piers that crosses within a BVW, and a footpath within a Bufferzone. BVW is proposed to be replicated on site, and an existing driveway is to be removed and landscaped at 19 Switter Lane (Map 203, Lot 22 & 21).
10. **Request for a Certificate of Compliance:** Submitted by Art Feltman and Dale Wallington for the

completion of the work associated with MassDEP#102-205 issued 8/17/2000 at 281 South Cove Rd. (Map 211, Lot 36).

11. **Request for a Certificate of Compliance:** Submitted by the Katherine Warden, Town of Becket, for the completion of the work associated with MassDEP#102-0450 issued 7/10/2020 on Werden Rd.
12. **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).
13. **Request for a Certificate of Compliance:** Submitted by Kim Bergland for completion of the work associated with MassDEP#102-0223 issued 12/09/2001 at 151 Long Bow Lane W. (Map 213, Lot 71).

Continuing Business:

14. **Request for a Determination of Applicability:** Submitted by Sally Eldred for the work associated with the installation of a new septic system, leach field and pump chamber within the buffer zone of the Bank of Robinhood lake located at 460 Wells Road (Map 216, Lot 454).
15. **Enforcement Order Update:** Issued to Jonathan Barrows for road, tree clearing, placement of gravel/rock, storage of fill material, and possible grading has occurred within the Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland and possibly within the resource area. Unpermitted work occurred at 0 Quarry Road (Map 416, Lot 13).

Additional Items:

- Safety equipment update: yellow vests and hard hats
- Eversource Improvement Projects
- Thomas Brook Conservation Area Proposal
- Shaker Mill Brook Conservation Land
- MACC Convention
- Discussion of fee schedule
- Correspondence/Items needing attention
- Review and Approval BCC minutes:
 - August 22nd Meeting

Next meeting Tuesday October 24th, 2023, in the Community Room, at 6:00 pm.

Motion for Adjournment

It is the responsibility of all applicants to read and be aware of the following:

This meeting is held in accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Ch.131 Sec.40) and Wetlands Regulations (310 CMR10.00).

This meeting of the Becket Conservation Commission will be held in-person at the location provided on this notice. Members of the public are welcome to attend this in-person. Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided as a courtesy to the public, the meeting will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the virtual broadcast, unless otherwise required by law.

It is the duty of the commissioners to review properly completed applications, deliberate, and render a decision based on the Wetlands Protection Act without bias, preconception, or conflicts of interest. All deliberations of this commission must only transpire during our publicly scheduled meeting.

Any decision made this evening on a Request for Determination of Applicability or Notice of Intent Application may be appealed to MassDEP within 10 business days. This time period will commence the day the Order is postmarked, and the Commission has 21 days to file paperwork. If your application is approved by the Commission, the “Becket Standard Order of Conditions” will automatically apply.

An Order of Conditions is not legal until it has been recorded with the Registry of Deeds. It is the responsibility of the applicant to bring the Order of Conditions to the Registry of Deeds, and then to send a copy to the conservation commission agent for the project file. The Commission has the right to issue a cease-and-desist order to stop any work that occurs before the deed is recorded.

Public comment is required only on a Notice of Intent application. The Chair may allow it on other issues. The Chair reserves the right to limit comments expressed either verbally, electronically, or in writing. Ch. 39 Section 23C of the Mass General Laws states that no person shall address a public meeting of a governmental body without permission of the presiding officer of such meeting, and all persons shall, at the request of such presiding officer, be silent.

You need to provide your name in order to be recognized and speak during the meeting. The Becket Conservation Commission meeting is being recorded. You have the right to record the meeting and please inform the Chair.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email and or phone.

Dave Johnson, BCC Chair

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Hours available 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

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