



Office of the

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Town of Townsend,
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Townsend, Massachusetts 01469

Michael Turgeon, Chairman

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James Deroian, Vice-Chairman

John Hussey

Karen Hill

Minutes

Memorial Hall-Selectman's Chambers

Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 730PM

1.0 Preliminaries

- 1.1. **Open Meeting-** MT opened at meeting at 7:30
- 1.2. **Roll Call-** Chairman, Michael Turgeon (MT), John Hussey (JH), James Le Cuyer (JL), Karen Hill (KH) and Clerk, Christine Vitale (CV). Vice-Chairman, James Deroian (JD) was absent.
- 1.3 **Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting**
 - 3.4 *Approve and sign partial Certificate of Compliance for DEP #308-524, 1 Penny Lane*
 - 4.2 *Notice from Planning Board regarding proposed amendments change to Accessory Apartment*CV moves to add items to the agenda. KH seconded. All in favor.
- 1.4 **Chair's Report-** Will address items in the agenda.
- 1.5 **Agent's Report-** Will address items in the agenda.
- 1.6 **Review of Minutes** –KH moves to approve and release the October 10, 2018 minutes with noted changes. JH seconded. All in favor.

2.0 Hearings and Appointments

2.1 7:45pm **Request for Determination of Applicability TWB#2018-147**

Applicant: Squannacook Greenways

Location: MBT parcels located along the Squannacook River

Project: The proposed project is for the construction of a multi-use path from Townsend to Groton. 2.8 of the 3.7 mile long path will be located in Townsend along 119.

MT open the meeting at 7:45, legal notice was read. Bruce Easom was present along with several members of Squannacook Greenways. The project is for a multiuse path in which 2.8 miles are located in Townsend along the abandoned railroad owned by MBTA. The path will be constructed along the railway. Railroad ties will be removed and taken off site. Stone dust will be installed as opposed to asphalt, which will minimize impact to resource areas. As much of the proposed trail is within the resource area, erosion control will be installed along the entire stretch. The Historical Society has requested that the railways not be removed near the Harbor to preserve the area. An easement has been negotiated with the Historical Society. The trail will be laid upon the pre-existing railroad surface minimizing impact. The section of trail that would otherwise be located along the Harbor will be relocated across the street, minimizing impact to that area. Parking area located across from the Fire Department, which is already utilized by the public, will be used for trail with the installation of crushed stone. MT- We would need to see the area delineated. JH- This is a large project and we would like to see wetland scientist complete a delineation of the resource areas and would also like to see a Notice of Intent filed for the complexity of the project and resource areas that would be effected.

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KH- You will need to go to the Planning Board for approval of the parking lot. What are the calculations of the parking lot? MT- We will need details for stormwater management. MT- Have the culverts been inspected and can they support emergency apparatus? MT- We would like you to file a NOI as it will have all this pertinent information.

JH moves to issue a Positive 1 Determination. KH seconded. All in favor.

KH moves to close. CV seconded. All in favor.

2.2 8:00pm Continuation of Request for Determination of Applicability TWB#2018-146

Applicant: Chad Turgeon

Location: 38 Turner Road

Project: The proposed project is for the construction of a garage located near a wetland and within priority habitat.

MT opened the meeting. Chad Turgeon (no relation to Michael Turgeon) was present. Project is for the construction of a garage located near a wetland and within priority habitat. DH has visited the site. CT has shifted the location of the garage outside of our jurisdiction. NHESP has issued a no-take for the project. Erosion control has been installed.

KH moves to issue a Negative 4 Determination. JH seconded. All in favor.

KH moves to close the meeting. JH seconded. All in favor.

2.3 8:15pm Continuation of Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation

Applicant: Stan Dillis for Sylco Realty

Location: 40 Scales Lane

Project: ANRAD filed to review isolated wetland onsite.

MT opened the hearing. Stan Dillis and Brett King were present. SD had presented a soil assessment as well as some photos. The asphalt that was dumped in the area has been removed.

KH moves to approve 9-11-18 ANRAD Plan Lot 1 Scales Lane with revisions made on 10-24-18 by Stan Dillis and issue ORAD to TWB#2018-148. JH seconded. All in favor.

KH moves to close the hearing. JH seconded. All in favor.

3.0 Work Session:

3.1 Compliance Issues

3.1.2 59 West Meadow Road- NOI has not been received to date.

3.2 Discuss Land Use Data Base- Michele Grenier, Land Use Coordinator, has sent a memo regarding software that she would like to purchase for Planning, Zoning and Conservation. The cost of the software is 5,900. Michele Grenier is requesting that it come out of the Land Use Acquisition Fund. The commission does not want to use the money from the Lands Use Acquisition Fund and also feels that Planning and Zoning should be responsible for their portion.

JH moves to approve purchase of software from the Land Use Acquisition Fund. KH seconded. All opposed.

3.3 Appointment of Officers- JH moves to re-appoint Michael Turgeon as Chair. KH seconded. All in favor.

KH moves to appoint John Hussey as Vice-Chair. JL seconded. All in favor.

JH moves to nominate Christine Vitale as Clerk. KH seconded. All in favor.

3.4 Approve and sign partial Certificate of Compliance for DEP #308-524, 1 Penny Lane- Move to 5.0 -

4.0 Correspondence:

4.1 Memo from Michele Grenier, Land Use Coordinator – read

4.2 Notice from Planning Board regarding proposed amendments change to Accessory Apartment- Move to 5.0

5.0 Items for discussion at the next meeting - 3.4, 4.2

6.0 Advertisements and Conferences

7.0 Next meeting: November 14, 2018 at 7:30pm

8.0 Adjournment – JH moves to adjourn at 9:25. All in favor.