

TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY

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West Newbury Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, August 21, 2017

Members Present: Dawne Fusco (chair), Wendy Reed, Tom Atwood and Tracy Peter. Conservation Agent Jay Smith also present.

Cont. Public Hearing --- Notice of Intent --- Cottage Advisors for Drakes Landing, 365 Main St. (DEP# 78-679) --- The applicant would like to construct an open space development with the roadway intruding into the buffer zone and bordering vegetated wetland. (Joint meeting request with the Planning Board for September 5th.)

The Commission agreed to a joint meeting with the Planning Board for September 5th. Conservation meeting will continue after.

Cont. Discussion: 36 Way to the River --- COC request.

A letter has been sent to the homeowners awaiting a reply.

Discussion: Aaron Orso, 463 Main St. (DEP# 78-534) --- COC Request.

From a brief site inspection by the agent it was observed that cutting and other activity had occurred in areas designated as a natural vegetation zone. A COC will not be issued until violations are corrected. The new home owner will receive a Violation Notice asking them to stop violating and to attend the next scheduled meeting.

Discussion: 25 Rivercrest Dr. (DEP#78-654) --- Partial COC request. 25 Rivercrest Dr. (DEP#78-102) --- Partial COC request.

After reviewing the requests the Commission agreed unanimously to issue partials for the DEP#'s above. One was to remove a lot from a subdivision that was later filed separately and the other to allow certification of the dock and continue the work on the walkway.

Discussion: Selectmen's goals

W. Reed will review the Selectmen's goals and incorporate them where possible into the Commissions' goals. T. Atwood discussed adding a section requesting that the Commission encourage the applicants to apply for a COC when work is complete.

Other Business:

Discussion: Bridges at Sullivan's Ct. and River meadow Dr.

Discussion: Mowing at River meadows

Steve Greason and Patricia Reeser attending the meeting and discussed filing requirements for the trail on Sullivan's Ct. and ideas for a canoe launching area at the conservation area at River Meadows.

Discussion: Minutes

Tabled until the next meeting.

The next scheduled Con Com meeting Tuesday, September 5, 2017