

# TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY

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## West Newbury Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, February 27, 2017

Meeting begins at 7:30pm.

**Members Present:** Dawne Fusco (chair), Richard Spieler, Judy Mizner and Wendy Reed. Conservation Agent Jay Smith also present.

#### **Minutes:**

Deferred to the end of the meeting

Public Hearing --- Notice of Intent --- James and Cheryl Ward for 18 Norino Dr. --- For the installation of a dock, staircase and path within the Merrimack River resource and other resource areas.

Greg Hochmuth (Wetland Scientist) and applicants were in attendance. The file has a DEP number but still waiting for comments and MESA review. The filing was reviewed and a site visit date of March 12<sup>th</sup> agreed upon. No data sheets or written wetland review was included in the filing which the engineer agreed to furnish. Hearing continued with approval of the applicant until the next scheduled meeting.

Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Daniel Follansbee for Middle St. (Map R-21, Lot 2) --- For a driveway, septic and grading associated with a single-family home. The work proposed will be done in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland.

Greg Hochmuth (Wetland Scientist) was in attendance. The file has a DEP number with no comments. The filing was reviewed and a site visit date of March 12<sup>th</sup> agreed upon. No data sheets or written wetland review was included in the filing which the engineer agreed to furnish. Hearing continued with approval of the applicant until the next scheduled meeting.

Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Daniel Follansbee for Garden St. (Map R-27, Lot 24). --- For a single family home and associated work. The work proposed will be done in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland.

Greg Hochmuth (Wetland Scientist) was in attendance. The file has a DEP number with no comments. The filing was reviewed and a site visit date of March 12<sup>th</sup> agreed upon. No data sheets or written wetland review was included in the filing which the engineer agreed to furnish. Hearing continued with approval of the applicant until the next scheduled meeting.

**Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Ann O'Sullivan for 58 Ash St. ---** For a single family home and associated work. The work proposed will be done in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland.

Greg Hochmuth (Wetland Scientist) was in attendance. The file has a DEP number with no comments. The filing was reviewed and a site visit date of March 12<sup>th</sup> agreed upon. . No data sheets or written wetland review was included in the filing which the engineer agreed to furnish. Lisa Umholtz (abutter) had some comments regarding the location of streams in the area. Hearing continued with approval of the applicant until the next scheduled meeting.

**Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Elisha Camp, 83 River Rd. ---** For the installation of a seasonal dock and pad. The work will be done within the Merrimack River resource and other resource areas.

John Paulson (Atlantic Engineering) was in attendance along with the property owners. The file has a DEP number but no comments as of yet. No data sheets or written wetland review was included in the filing which the engineer agreed to furnish. The engineer agreed to stake out the pad before the site visit. The filing was reviewed and a site visit date of March 12<sup>th</sup> agreed upon. Hearing continued with approval of the applicant until the next scheduled meeting.

**Discussion:** Request to name a trail for Alex Hamilton.

The members supported naming a trail for Alex Hamilton. The location and height, materials etc. for a signpost to be submitted to and approved by the Commission before the sign is installed.

**Discussion:** Theodore and Kathleen Ammon, 101 River Rd. --- Two COC requests.

Greg Hochmuth (Wetland Scientist) represented the applicants. The As-built plan and comments from the agent were reviewed. J. Mizner made a motion to approve the two COC's, 78-503 and 78-652. D. Fusco seconded the motion with a unanimous vote of approval.

**Cont. Discussion:** Stephen Shipps, 625 Main St. --- plan change request.

The Commission members had no issues with the plan but asked for more information regarding plant types and materials used for the markers.

**Discussion:** Representative for a pay raise.

Members agreed to attend the Selectmen's meeting in support of the agents pay increase.

**Discussion:** Special and Standard conditions.

Item deferred to the next meeting. Agent will distribute the materials before the next meeting.

#### **Minutes:**

The minutes for December were approved with minor corrections.

The next scheduled Con Com meeting Monday, March 13, 2017