

STOCKBRIDGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, 8 August 2017
Town Offices Meeting Room, 7pm, Stockbridge, MA

Present: Ron Brouker [presiding], Jay Rhind, Joe DeGiorgis, George Shippey, Louise Gachet (alternate), Tom LaBelle, John Hart, Sally Underwood-Miller

Jay Rhind made a motion to approve minutes from Tuesday, 25 July 2017. George Shippey seconded. Unanimous.

Having received the response from NHESP stating that they do not anticipate that the project will not result in a taking, Marc Lavoisier of Foresight represented the Notice of Intent for the Stockbridge Golf Club, 6A Main Street. (Map 224/105, Lots 5/10) The plan is to reconfigure and rebuild existing greens, including the required compensatory storage. Joe DeGiorgis made a motion to approve the plans as presented and close the hearing. Jay Rhind seconded. Unanimous.

David Potter of Green River Design and Marc Lavoisier of Foresight presented the Notice of Intent for Monte Levin & Gary Lazarus, 1 Grove Road. (Map 104, Lot 105) DEP # 296-0461 The proposal is for an addition to single family home. The addition is approximately 173 square feet, and encroaches no further than the current distance from the resource area. It is a buffer zone project, with no change to the grading. There is also a dry laid stone patio proposed. Jay Rhind made a motion to accept the plans as presented, and close the hearing. George Shippey seconded. Unanimous.

Jess Murray Toro of Notice of Intent of Native Habitat Restoration represented the Stockbridge Bowl Association for an informal preview of the plan for invasive species removal. The kiwi vine, once valued by many of the Berkshire Cottage dwellers, has become a significant and virulent invasive, bringing down trees, and taking over forest land. The kiwi vine is found both in Bullard Woods and Gould Meadows. It has also been found in Ice Glen, the Mary Flynn Trail, and Kamposoa. The plan is to cut the vine to 6' allow it to fall and use an approved for wetlands foliar spray to eradicate it. They will retreat as necessary next year and follow up the year after. It is important for highway departments and foresters to recognize the kiwi vine, and wash their equipment when it has come into contact with it. The project will be formally presented at the August 22 meeting.

Jay Rhind made a motion to adjourn the hearing at 8:15pm. George Shippey seconded. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Underwood-Miller, Secretary