

**STOCKBRIDGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, 26 February 2019**  
**Town Offices Meeting Room, 7:00pm, Stockbridge, MA**

Present: Ron Brouker [presiding], John Hart, Joe DeGiorgis, Patrick White, Sally Underwood-Miller.

John Hart made a motion to approve minutes from Tuesday, 5 February. Patrick White seconded. Unanimous.

The Cahills came in again to talk about the chip dump and other issues regarding 18 Hill Road. The Commission was informed that some of the appliances and other debris have been removed, but, to date, no work has been done to clear the illegally dumped wood chips. An Enforcement Order may need to be issued to spur the necessary action. For work to be done in the buffer zone, an RDA will need to be filed.

Notice of Intent Historic New England (Merwin House), 14 Main Street. Map 106, lot 67. Tree and shrub removal. Awaiting DEP file #. Continued.

Request for Certificate of Compliance – Bernard Haan, 16 Beachwood Drive. Map 104, Lot 102. DEP#296-0457. (Creative Building Solutions) Continued.

Request for Certificate of Compliance – BSO, Hawthorne Road. DEP #296-0431 Map 202, Lot 15. Continued pending a site visit.

Request for Certificate of Compliance – BSO, Hawthorne Road. DEP #296-0440 Map 202, Lot 15. Continued pending a site visit.

Shannon Boomsma of White Engineering presented the Notice of Intent for Camp Mah-Kee-Nac, 6 Hawthorne Rd. (Map 15, Lot 14) The proposal is to replace approximately 15 piers under an existing building. They will jack up the building, dewater and install poured concrete piers. Straw bales and burlap will protect the nearby wetlands. John Hart made a motion to accept the proposal as presented and close the hearing. Joe DeGiorgis seconded. Unanimous.

Amer Raza and Michael Turgeon of Jacobs presented the Notice of Intent for MassDOT. The project is for culvert replacement MM 3.7EB, MM 4.8EB, MM 5.05EB, MM 5.05EB median, MM 5.2EB, MM3.9WB, MM 6.8WB. This work will repair areas where the headwalls and/or pipes have moved. They will replace riprap and splash pads. Some mitigation and restoration will include native plantings and wetlands seed mix. They will provide the Commission with the Maintenance Schedule for catch basin clean out. Machinery will be washed prior to moving in order to prevent the transport of invasive species. John Hart made a motion to accept the proposal as presented and close the hearing. Joe DeGiorgis seconded. Unanimous.

Marc Volk of Foresight Land Services presented the Notice of Intent for David McCarthy, 29 Church Street. (Map 219, Lot 4) The proposal is to remove assorted debris and junk along the riverbank. 12" wattles will protect the toe of slope. The area will be restored using coir matting which will be staked and seeded with native seed mix. The work will be performed during low water. Some invasive plant species will also be removed. John Hart made a motion to approve the proposal and close the hearing. Joe DeGiorgis seconded. Unanimous.

Marc Volk also presented the Notice of Intent for Larry and Christine Carsman, 17 Mahkeenac Road. (Map 102, Lot 7) The proposal is for a deck renovation and the installation of a hot tub. The hearing was continued pending a site visit March 1 at 10am.

Rob Akroyd of Greylock Design presented the Request for Determination of Applicability for Tri Walk, LLC, (Meg Walker) Lot 1.1 Bean Hill Road. (Map 209, Lot 1.1) The proposal is to construct a single family house. The hearing was postponed pending a site visit on March 8 at 10am.

The hearing on the Notice of Intent for Emerald Lake Nominee Trust, 20 Mahkeenac Shores Road (Map 102, Lot 15) was postponed at the request of the applicant until March 26, The plans to replace the single family home and associated site work will undergo significant revision by Foresight.

Russell Belanger of Great Barrington came in to express his concerns regarding the proposed use of the chemical weedkiller Fluridone in the Bowl. As an avid fisherman, he described his experience with the dramatic loss of habitat and fisheries in lakes that have been treated.

Patrick White proposed that an Endangered/Threatened species survey be done based on information put forth over the years by NHESP. The purpose is to make sure that species that have not been recently noted or documented aren't lost.

Ron will propose to Rep. Smitty Pignatelli that a meeting be set with NHESP, DFW and DEP to discuss a whole lake management plan including a new weed harvester, that can be approved and agreed upon.

John Hart made a motion to adjourn at 9pm. Joe DeGiorgis seconded. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Underwood-Miller, Secretary/Member