

BEDFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
September 25, 2019
Selectmen's Conference Room
Town Hall, Bedford, MA

PRESENT: Allan Wirth, Chair; Steven Hagan, Vice-Chair; John Britton; Neil McKenna;
Lori Eggert
Stephanie Ide, Conservation Department Assistant

ABSENT: Joseph Guardino, Clerk; Art Smith
Elizabeth Bagdonas, Conservation Administrator

Mr. Wirth opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Eagle Scout Project Presentation:

Mr. Timothy Bennett was before the Commission to discuss his proposed Eagle Scout project. Mr. Bennett spoke about the environmental benefits of solitary bees and would like to provide habitats for them in a few different areas around town as his Eagle Scout project.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. McKenna to support Mr. Bennett's project. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Request for Determination of Applicability: 57 Hillside Avenue

Mr. Howard Kirsten and Ms. Pamela Kirsten were present before the Commission to discuss the proposed construction of a deck, shed and driveway within the 100-foot buffer zone to a Bank and Land Under Waterway. Mr. McKenna conducted a site visit, erosion control is in place.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Britton to issue a positive Determination for reason five and a negative Determination for reason three without conditions. The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the Determination was signed.

Request for Determination of Applicability: 286 Davis Road

Mr. Edwin Guarin was present before the Commission to discuss the proposed removal of an existing driveway and the replacement and expansion of a driveway using porous pavement within the 100-foot buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland. Mr. Britton stated that a porous pavement driveway will require considerable prep work. Mr. Guarin said that all materials excavated will be removed from the property.

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Ms. Eggert to issue a positive Determination for reason five and a negative Determination for reason three the following conditions:

1. All excavated material must be removed from the site.
2. Staked wattles shall be installed at the limit of work.

The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the Determination was signed.

Order of Conditions: Route 62 & Old Billerica Road Intersection

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. McKenna to issue the Order of Conditions for the Route 62 and Old Billerica Road Intersection with the standard conditions. The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the Order was signed.

Hartwell Forest Agreement:

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. McKenna to take compensation off of the table in regards to the Hartwell Forest Agreement with the USAF. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Bills Payable:

A motion was made by Mr. McKenna and seconded by Ms. Eggert to issue payment to Gatehouse Media in the amount of \$53.88 for the legal notice of 22 Jeffrey Circle. The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the bills payable form was signed.

A motion was made by Mr. McKenna and seconded by Mr. Britton to issue payment to Oxbow Gardens in the amount of \$116.00 for the mowing at Jordan Gardens. The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the bills payable form was signed.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. McKenna to approve the minutes of June 12, 2019 as written. The motion passed 5-0-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. Hagan to approve the minutes of September 11, 2019 as written. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Ms. Eggert abstaining due to absence.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Stephanie Ide.

Minutes approved at meeting of November 6, 2019.