

MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2016 MEETING

A meeting of the Longmeadow Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:05 P.M. on March 23, 2016 in the conference room at the Longmeadow Police Station.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair, Al Laakso, Stephen Gazillo, David Dumais, John Bresnahan, Peter Bouvier. Absent: Sheri Knight

OTHERS PRESENT: Bill Hoff, Tom Lewis

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: The minutes of January 27, 2016 were accepted as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salary Acct. \$2236.08; Maintenance \$850; Office Supplies \$100; Misc. \$1000; Con Com Trust Fund \$8842.18; Con Com Wetland Protection Fund \$8263.65.

RDA – TEC ASSOCIATES – Tom Lewis, representing Amtrak, requested renewal of wetland delineation regarding VMP, Vegetation Management Plan. Spraying would be 10 feet away from the buffer zone and there would be limited spraying inside the track. RWC Construction from Westfield would do the work. A motion was made to issue a Positive Determination of Applicability with reason #2A and that the plan dated 5/2/11 is accepted and that the CC is to be notified prior to the spray date. Motion passed 5-0, unanimously.

RDA – 216 ANTHONY RD – Bill Hoff asked the CC to include determination #6 on the Request for Determination form. A floating dock is to be installed off of CC land that is adjacent to the PVYC parking lot. The Town will own it and the CPC is funding the project. ACCU Docks from Maine will construct the dock, probably in one day. The ramp will be anchored. The dock, which is put together in sections, will be taken down in the fall. Motion was made to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability with reasons #2 and #6. Motion passed 5-0, unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS: The CC signed off on a Certificate of Compliance for Glenmeadow, Inc. Chair Al Laakso announced that Andy Krar was the new Town Engineer and that he also had experience on conservation commissions.

Al also announced that Article 24 on the Town Warrant was to correct Town By-Laws language due to some typographical errors.

Al spoke with Dave King from UMASS who was interested in nesting birds in the Silvio O. Conte Wildlife Refuge and CC land. The project plan was to install mist nets to catch birds and bats, band them and then release them for future data. Al determined that the area he was interested in was not CC land and that he should contact Silvio O. Conte Wildlife Refuge for permission.

Other Business cont'd: Commissioner Stephen Gazillo has been a member of the CPC, representing the CC, for two terms and wondered if any other commissioner would be interested in volunteering for the CPC; John Bresnahan is also an at-large member of the CPC. David Dumais said he may be interested but would get back to Stephen.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Esther M. Moomjian