



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING FOLLOWED DIRECTLY WITH REGULAR MEETING
EASTON TOWN HALL-CONFERENCE ROOM A
TUESDAY, September 13, 2016**

PRESENT: Dori Wollen, Chair; Catherine Alfandre, Vice Chair; Steve Hume, Sarah Cwikla, Elliot Leonard, Vivian Hardison, Katherine Reed and Jamie Weinstein.

ABSENT: Steve Corti

1. Meeting opened to the Public at approximately 7:30 p.m.
2. Dori Wollen presented and asked for comments regarding the new Easton Open Space Plan 2016.

3. PUBLIC MEETING CLOSED AND REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Chair Dori Wollen called the Regular meeting to order at approximately 8:10 p.m.

4. INLAND WETLANDS APPLICATIONS:

- A. Permit #16-513 and 16-514 – Arvid Brandstrom, Owner/Applicant 80 & 90 Redding Road was present along with his landscape architect Aleksandra Moch. They presented a planting plan consisting of 5 areas and a list of trees. A motion was made by Catherine Alfandre to approve the planting plan with the exception of Area 5 which will require a narrative as to what exactly will be planted and where. The gravel pit area is not included in the approval and requires a planting plan. This approval includes work already completed and the silt fencing that is already in place, seconded by Sarah Cwikla.
- B. Permit #16-516 – 90 Honeysuckle Hill Lane Radu Popescu was present and indicated he did install the silt fencing as required and also produced a receipt from Aquarion as requested by the Commission. Mr. Popescu indicated that he does not want to remove the garden and believes it is currently stabilizing the area. A motion was made by Sarah Cwikla to deny the "After the Fact" application because changes were done within 100' of the river after a notice of violation and cease work order was received by the homeowner. Seconded by Vivian Hardison.

5. SITE WALKS: none at this time

6. UNFINISHED BUISNESS:

- A. Violation #16-175 for 90 Honeysuckle Hill Road (see item B above). The violation requires a 3 step remediation plan. A buffer is to be replanted on the house side of the creek outside of the 25' easement. The second step is to remove the garden and the third step is to replant the area. A new application must be received by 9/27/16. Mr. Popescu indicated that he will be seeking an appeal.

B. Robert Maquat appeared on behalf of 30 Banks Road seeking an As of Right determination to continue an access road for farming. It was determined that this falls under the "as of right" farming regulations.

C. #16-173 – 32 Adams Road. A motion was made by Sarah Cwikla to remove the violation as the activity falls under "as of right" farming regulations.

Seconded by Vivian Hardison.

D. A motion to approve the Open Space Plan 2016 was made by Vivian Hardison and seconded by Sarah Cwikla.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Vivian to approve the minutes from the August 30th, 2016 meeting, seconded by Jamie Weinstein.

8. ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 10:15pm a motion was made by Vivian to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Steve Hume.

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