

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR
AUGUST 15, 1990

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andrew Sheehan, Pam Resor, Peter Shanahan

CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATOR: Tom Tidman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Andrea MacKenzie

VISITORS: Harry Donahue, Eric Smith

8:02 Lacking quorum Mr. Sheehan opened the meeting for discussion.

AUDUBON HILL - DISCUSSION

The Administrator reported that Harry Donahue, Acton Survey & Engineering, and Eric Smith would like to update the Commission on the Audubon Hill project.

Mr. Donahue reported that the previous contractor had cleared trees according to the landscape architect's plans and not the plans labeled "Limit of Clearing". Thus some clearing was up to the edge of wetlands. Mr. Donahue has on hand at this meeting, a proposed plan to re-establish the wetlands' edge. The applicant is asking if this re-establishment plan can be an amendment under the existing Order of Conditions.

The Administrator also reported that according to the original plan, the applicant was permitted to make a temporary crossing through another wetland to gain access to the leaching field area. In order to gain temporary access, the applicant was permitted to place temporary fill in the low area of the wetland to get equipment across. Due to the wet season last year, a large amount of fill was used, elevating the wetland crossing. The Administrator stated that this elevated area must be excavated this growing season, and revegetated.

The Commission members present took this report under advisement, but with no quorum present, they could not make a motion to accept or deny the proposed amendment to the existing Order of Conditions. This issue will be voted on at the September 5, 1990 meeting.

REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION - 51 Harris Street

Mr. Sheehan informed Mr. Don Sloan of the problem with quorum, and not being able to open the hearing.

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Mr. Sloan asked the Commission if staff could produce a letter stating that the Commission could not hold the hearing due to no fault of himself, the applicant. The Commission stated that there would be no problem with this request for a letter.

The meeting will be held on September 5, 1990.

8:30 Meeting Adjourned.



Andrew Sheehan, Chairman