



## Acton Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023

7:15 PM

Hybrid Meeting (Room 204 & Zoom)

**Present:** Terry Maitland (Chair), Jim Colman (Vice-Chair), Jillian Peters, Peter Hocknell, Zyvia Chadzynska

**Absent:** Amy Green, Kate Warwick

**Conservation Agent:** Mike Gendron

7:15 The Chair, Terry Maitland, opened the meeting and read virtual meeting guidelines.

### **Regular Business**

7:15 **Notice of Intent:** 4 Apple Valley Drive; DEP 85-13xx

Representing the applicant was Aidan Schlotman of Stamsky and McNary. Aidan explained the scope of the project to remove two existing sheds and to add a garage inside of the 100 ft buffer zone. The proposed garage is 77ft from the wetland.

A member from the public raised a concern regarding the lack of drainage. Members of the Commission agreed and asked to see on the plan where the runoff was going to go and some proposed mitigation; Aidan agreed to put that on the plan.

Zyvia Chadzynska mentioned that there should be a stock pile area identified on the plan; Aidan agreed to put that on the plan.

Hearing no further comments or questions the Chairman announced that the **hearing would be continued to October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

7:29 **Request for Determination:** 472 Massachusetts Ave

Representing the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, was their facilities manager Mike Denson. Mike explained that the scope of the project was to remove a number of dead or sick trees around the property that pose a threat to the parking lot and building. Mike explained that they have recently had a few trees fall.

Jim Colman explained that he agrees that the trees lining the back parking lot pose a threat and could be removed, but the trees in the front of the Church appear to be in good health and maybe should just be pruned.



The Chair closed the hearing at 7:50 PM

**Decision:**

Jim moved to issue a negative 3 determination with the condition that the Agent should walk the site to identify which trees should stay.

Jillian seconded and the vote unanimously upheld the motion.

**7:35 ANRAD (Continued) : 96 Pope Road; DEP 85-1355**

Representing the applicant was Aidan Schlotman of Stamksy and McNary. Aidan explained that since the last hearing the two potential vernal pools had been delineated. Aidan also mentioned that only the front half of the vernal pools because that is the only portion that would affect the setbacks. A discussion occurred regarding what would actually be approved; it was determined that the Commission was only approving what was shown on the plan.

The Chairman closed the hearing at 8:05 PM.

**Decision:**

Jim moved to issue an ORAD with the condition that the Commission may require additional flagging at the time of a future project.

Peter seconded the motion and the vote unanimously upheld the motion.

**8:06 The Chair announced that the hearing for 362 Pope Road would be continued to the October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

**8:06 Notice of Intent (continued): 1&5 Nagog Park & 599 Great Road; DEP 85-1342**

Representing the applicant was Garrett Horsefall of Kelly Engineering. Garrett explained that since the last time the project was brought before the Commission, the plan had been adjusted from two auto dealerships to one dealership. Additionally, there was a sidewalk added within the bufferzone but it will be within the existing road. Finally, GCG has reviewed the stormwater and all comments have been addressed.

Hearing no further comments/questions the Chair closed the hearing at 8:29 PM



**Decision:**

Peter moved to issue a standard OOC  
Jillian seconded and the vote unanimously upheld the motion.

**Consent Items**

**Meeting Minutes of August 16<sup>th</sup>**

Peter moved to approve as amended, Jillian seconded and the vote upheld the motion

**Meeting Minutes of September 6<sup>th</sup>**

Jillian moved to approve, Peter seconded and the vote upheld the motion

8:45 Meeting adjourned