

**Plympton Conservation Commission**  
**Minutes of Open Meeting – August 21, 2018**

**Present:** Board Members Amy Cronin, Ami Dion, Linda Leddy, Mike Matern and Marta Nover

**Not Present:** Rick Burnet

Ms. Dion called the meeting to order at 6:40

**1. Correspondence.**

**a)** A letter of August 21, 2018 from Joe Webby to the MA DEP regarding 138 Center Street providing an alternative analysis regarding the construction of a new home. Mr. Webby requested a Superseding Order of Conditions from the DEP on behalf of Amanda Monti. The Commission noted that they were not notified of the DEP walkthrough.

**b)** A letter from the MA DEP provided a Certificate of Compliance regarding 4 Pope's Farm Road.

**c)** A letter came from Harju Limited Partnership regarding earth removal project on stockpiling on cranberry bogs (decayed materials), which they believe is an exempt activity per Section 4.3.2.

**2. Building Permits Received.** None

**Old Business**

**3. NOI Hearing Continuation – Borrego Solar, 61 Upland Road, Map 13, Parcel 2, Lot 29D.** The hearing was continued until September 18<sup>th</sup>.

**4. Abbreviated Notice of Resource Delineation (ANRAD) Hearing – West Light Development, Inc., 165 Palmer Road, Map 6, Parcel 1, Lot 3.** Alexandra Artiano of West Light Development (representing the owner) and Paul Seaberg of Grady Consulting, LLC presented the project. The site is a vacant lot with bordering vegetated wetlands (BVW). The wetlands were originally delineated in May 2017 and again May 2018. Reportedly, the land is 3 wooded acres, with 2.5 usable upland acres. They may wish to build homes. The Commission noted that the actual owner of West Light Development is required to sign the application, so that will need to be redone. There were no soils data provided.

A third-party review will need to be done. The scope of work would be to review the ANRAD application, and conduct a site inspection to review the site and the wetland boundaries on the site as well as any resources areas that may exist on or adjacent to the site. The applicants were unsure if there was a DEP number. The hearing will be continued until September 4, 2017.

**5. DEP Walkthrough of 129 County Road - Gazzola Property.** Members of the Commission accompanied members of the DEP and the MA Environmental Police and Mr. Gazzola on a walkthrough. Many soil samples and vegetation classifications were completed. The DEP requested previously taken soil reports from Mr. Gazzola and other information. A report is forthcoming.

**6. 117 Lake Solar Project.** A certificate of Compliance was signed.

## **New Business**

**7. Remaining Tasks to Complete.** The following are items on which the Commission still needs to act.

**Main Street work near Carver line Lot 21-5-15.** A lot of work has been done near the wetlands. The Commission will send them a cease and desist.

**12 Prospect.** Ami Dion sent a letter on behalf of the Conservation Commission to Wallace/Doubleday household directing them to do a new wetlands delineation and move their fence that is clearly depicted in the wetlands. Mr. Wallace called the Building Department and was advised to come to the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Per the July 12, 2018 letter, the Wallace's have 60 days to move their fence. The letter was sent via certified mail and was picked up on July 19<sup>th</sup>, so they have until September 17, 2018 to move their fence and provide the wetlands delineation.

As background, an e-mail was sent to the building department requesting that they investigate a potential violation regarding the Wallace/Doubleday household who allegedly built a 3-stall shed without a permit on a property with river and wetlands. As background, the Commission had previously sent a letter to the Wallace/Doubleday household advising them that no work can be done in the wetlands after a Commissioner witnessed work being done on their property.

The Building Department confirmed that the shed was built and sent a letter to them requesting information. Information was provided that revealed that other work had been done in the wetlands. A letter was sent on behalf of the Commission directing that a wetlands delineation be completed and the fence should be moved. The Conservation Commission voted unanimously to reject the building permit for this barn.

**Letter Regarding Work Near Wetlands - Property on Rt. 58 near town line.** There has been no response to the letter was written from the Conservation Commission to Amanda Monti reminding her that any work within 100' of the bordering vegetated wetlands (BVW) or 200' of a river must be first approved by the Commission. It was noted that clearing had been done, and the Commission requested a site walk to review the work.

**122 County Road – Mr. Bern.** It was noticed that additional work has been done and a cease and desist letter will be issued.

**Carey Auto Property.** The Commission sent the Building Department a request to determine if sandblasting is occurring, and if so, if it is permitted. Sandblasting is a concern from a wetlands perspective as well. No response yet.

**Minutes.** No minutes were reviewed.

**Next Meetings:** The next meetings will be held on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> and September 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. The meetings are typically held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm by a motion from Ms Leddy and seconded by Mr. Matern, with unanimous approval.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by Amy Cronin