

TOWN OF SOMERS CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 10th, 2013
7:00 p.m.
TOWN HALL

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joan Formeister at 7:02 p.m. Members present were Greg Genlot, Karl Walton, Candace Aleks, and Henry Broer. Also present was Joanna Shapiro, Wetland Agent.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. Application #665

Stephen and Kathleen Moynihan of 80 Bridle Path Drive propose an extension to the culvert under the existing driveway and to fill within a small area of wetland. The wetland is a grass-lined swale within the existing lawn. The Applicants were not present. Joanna Shapiro shared with members that Wetland Agent, David Askew, recommended that the site have a final inspection. Aleks made a motion to approve the application with the condition that the applicants contact the Wetland Agent upon completion for a final inspection. . The motion was seconded by Karl Walton.

All in favor, motion carried.

2. Application # 664

Richard Leno of Durkee Road proposed changes to the activity on the seven lot subdivision as well as within the upland review area. Changes include an additional catch basin on the side of the road to reduce flooding when the road is over-topped, and modification of the road easement. In addition, the stormwater management plan has been revised.. New plans were reviewed. Joanna Shapiro shared town engineer recommendations , and inquired about the sequence of construction, as well as whether or not silt fences would be used. Member Karl Walton made a motion to approve application #664 upon the condition that a pre-construction meeting occurs with Wetland Agent Askew, as well as the adoption of the town engineer's recommendations.. Greg Genlot seconded the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

3. Application # 666

Steven Poulin of 20 Aspen Ridge proposes to install an in ground pool within upland review area. Joanna Shapiro stated that both she and David Askew had been to the property. Karl Walton made a motion to accept the application, seconded by chairperson Formeister.

All in favor, motion carried.

Karl Walton made a motion to add an agenda item to new business, Application #669, seconded by Greg Genlot.

All in favor, motion carried.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. Application #667

Mr. Blake of 732 Hall Hill Road proposed to fill an existing man made pond in an upland review area associated with a stream. Mr. Blake was represented by David Palmberg. Mr. Palmberg shared a new site plan for the property specific the pond. Mr. Palmberg stated that he and Wetland Agent Askew discussed access to the pond as well as wetland protection with Mr. Blake. Mr. Palmberg stated a future application will specify new construction plans. He asked the committee if a Special Meeting could be held to hasten the permit process.

2. Application #668

Sony Ahluwalia of 715 Stafford Road proposed the installation of an in ground pool within upland review area. Joanna Shapiro shared that she and Wetland agent Askew had visited the site and suggested the pool be staked out. Mr. Ahluwalia stated he marked the dimensions in yellow paint on the grass. Joanna Shapiro made the suggestion that Agent Askew revisit the site. Chairperson Formeister stated that the state statute requires a 14 day wait period to approve. Member Karl Walton stated that the applicant will be contacted by David Askew as to the future meeting date.

3. Application #669

Christopher Williams of 573 Hall Hill Road proposed to demolish and reconstruct residence that sustained fire damage and upgrade septic system in upland review area. The area was surveyed in February of 2013. Additionally, soil and PERC testing has been completed. Joanna Shapiro shared that Wetland Agent Askew is aware of the property and is reviewing the septic location as in relates to the wetland area. Chairperson Formeister stated that David Askew will be in contact with Mr. Williams.

III. STAFF/COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Wetland Agent's Report dated June 2013 submitted. Chairperson Joan Formeister made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Candace Aleks.

All in favor, motion carried.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS

Member Karl Walton shared that member Greg Genlot signed up for DEEP Wetlands training. Joanna Shapiro reminded members of the start of the fiscal year as of July 1st, 2013.

V. MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes from June 5th reviewed. Chairperson Joan Formeister made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, seconded by Karl Walton.

All in favor, motion carried.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Formeister made a motion to adjourn at 8:02, seconded by member Karl Walton.

All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Benson
Recording Secretary