



MINUTES
October 13, 2010
HUBBARDSTON Conservation Commission
Slade Building

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

Members: Mike Stevens, Eric Gemborys,
David Klinch, Steve Mossey, Associate Member
Alan Olly

Staff: Lucinda Oates

Guests: Guest list included with minutes

First Order of Business

Notice of Public Hearing HCC #10-31 was read into the minutes.

Applicant Vincent K. Ritchie spoke first and indicated that he is complying with the wetland bylaw. He stated that his entire front footage is impacted by water originating from the town roadway and that the only way to develop his lot is to cross the wetland. The filing is limited to the crossing of the wetland that would allow access to developable land in the back of the parcel.

Board member David Klinch stated that an alternative analysis is needed to prove that the crossing is required at the wetland and that there are no other access points. An independent botanist will be contacted to walk the property and report back to the board. Mr. Ritchie will be given bids for the work and will be expected to pay the fee. The board will report back to Mr. Ritchie by October 18th with name/ names of individuals and fee to do the independent site review.

Following concerns were expressed from abutters:

- if wetland was the only way to gain access to the back developable property
- where the additional water will flow and if abutters' properties would be flooded
- will the wetlands be replicated elsewhere
- if culverts were used, what size and where would they be placed

Motion: David Klinch

Second: Steve Mossey

Motion made to continue Public Hearing HCC#10-31 to November 10, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the Library Building no further discussion motion carried.

Lovewell Pond Sporting Club, Inc.

Notice of Public Hearing HCC #10-30 was read into the minutes.

Marc Bellaud, Senior Biologist Aquatic Control Technology spoke on behalf of the Sporting Club. Mr. Bellaud gave an overview of the work to be done on the pond which would include an integrated management program to improve water quality and manage nuisance plant (submersed, floating and emergent) species. The short term request is to initiate a limited (3 foot maximum) winter drawdown to provide control of near shore plant growth, with approval for 2010/2011 winter drawdown.

In future years the Sporting Club may choose to control plant growth through the use of mechanical harvesting and hydro-raking or herbicide treatments. There were no invasive species plants found in the pond or loose-strife.

Notification of intent to DCR was requested and that application be forwarded to them for review before any herbicides are used.

Motion: David Klinch

Second: Steve Mossey

Motion made to approve Lovewell Sporting Club, Inc. application as proposed with conditions
There was no further discussion, motion carried.

Mr. Bellaud said that in order to achieve the desired 3 foot drawdown this season they would need to initiate the work beginning November 1st. Member David Klinch said they could begin the work but the appeal period would not be satisfied and if there was an appeal all work would need to stop.

Voucher was signed for the clerk's wages, mail was reviewed.

Motion: Michael Stevens

Second: David Klinch

Motion made to close meeting, all in favor there was no discussion meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Approved: _____ Date: _____