

Hubbardston Conservation Commission Minutes

May 6, 2015

Library Basement

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Hubbardston Library Conference Room located in the Library Basement.

Present: Steve Mossey, Larry Therrien, Tom Larson, Tony Coppola

Absent: Pat Girouard

Guests: Michael Loin, William Murray, Danielle Taylor

Motion: Tom Larson

Second: Larry Therrien

Motion was made to approve the April 14, 2015 minutes with no corrections. All in favor.

Motion carried.

First Order of Business:

Jassy Bratko asked the Conservation Commission if they would donate 20% of the appraisal fee for the land purchase which would be approximately \$600.00. The other \$2,400.00 would be given through a grant. Chairman Mossey asked if anyone would like to make a motion to approve this donation. The Conservation Commission discussed the lots in question and what the Town would be losing in taxes over the long term. There was no motion and the Board agreed that they would not donate the \$600.00.

POA: Toni will call Jassy Bratko to inform her that the Conservation Commission declined her request for the \$600.00.

Seaboard Solar:

Mike Loin from Bertin Engineering and Danielle Taylor from Seaboard Solar came before the Conservation Commission today to discuss the NOI. Mr. Loin began by stating that the weather hadn't been favorable thus far for planting the trees/shrubs. The surveyor went out on both sides of the wetlands and noted that there are 270-280 tree stumps that need to be replaced. Art Allen, the consultant for Seaboard, made a list of remediation plants to be planted. There will be approximately 200 plantings of shrubs, 70 plantings of river birch and blueberry bushes. Mr. Murray and Mr. Loin discussed the River Birch and decided that it wouldn't be a good idea as they are pretty but will not last long. And Mr. Murray suggested that they discuss further the types of planting needed. Mr. Loin also stated that he filled out the NOI but needs help with what the fees would be and asked if he could work with Mr. Murray regarding what category would be correct. The Conservation Commission did authorize Bill Murray to act as their agent

and agreed that they should work together to determine the appropriate category to mark off as well as what else needs to be done to get this planting in and done and any other changes that need to be made. Bill Murray did say that his fee for two more site visits and report will be no more than \$1200.00. Mike Loin also stated that there will be a name change to Seaboard Solar and all forms will be sent to the Conservation Commission.

Motion: Tom Larson

Second: Tony Coppola

Motion made to allow Bill Murray to do two more site visits and furnish a report with the cost being no more than \$1200.00. All in favor, motion carries.

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Second: Tony Coppola

Motion made for the planting of the wetlands to be started by June 1st and finished by June 15th, 2015. All in favor, motion passes.

Motion: Tom Larson

Second: Larry Therrien

Motion made to adjourn at 7:51 pm with no further discussion. All in favor.

Approved: Larry Therrien Date: 7-1-15
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