

Town of Ayer Conservation Commission

Town Hall * One Main Street * Ayer, MA 01432 * 978-772-8249 * 978-772-8208 (fax)
Minutes for **3/8/12** – Approved 4/12/12

Location: Ayer Police Station, Meeting Room

Members present: Bill Daniels (BD, Chair), George Bacon (GB), Takashi Tada (TT), Jessica Gugino (JG, Clerk), Becky DaSilva-Conde (CA, Conservation Administrator)

APAC taped: No

Not present: Warren Ball (WB)

7:15 PM – Open Meeting

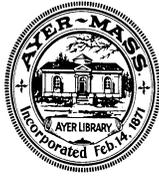
- **Confirmation of Agenda**
 - GB moved to approve agenda with minor amendments; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.

- **Public Hearing: NOI – Edward and Penelope Kelley, 20 Oak Ridge Drive**
 - The Kelleys are planning as 12 x 23 ft. addition to the back of their house.
 - BD said the haybale/silt fence will need to be placed at the top of the steep slope leading down to Pine Meadow Pond (aka Erskines Pond).
 - Mr. Kelley said that soil from the excavation would be spread to the right side of the house/garage.
 - A site walk was scheduled for Saturday, 3/17, at 9 a.m.
 - GB moved to continue the Hearing to 3/22; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.

- **Meeting Minutes Approval**
 - GB moved to approve the minutes for 2/23/12 as amended; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.

- **CA Updates**
 - Pingry Hill/Ridge View Heights Site Walk
 - The upcoming site walk for 3/10 will focus on 4 NOI and 4 COC applications.
 - The site walk will also examine the area of recurring siltation problems at Hickory Way/Rte. 2A and Bennett's Brook.
 - COC for Matt Pinard
 - CA said Mr. Pinard was supposed to have built a landscaping wall but this has not yet been done.
 - BD, having done a site visit earlier with Mr. Pinard, will contact him about the status of his COC.

- **Member Updates**
 - GB asked about plans to hire a substitute CA during Ms. DaSilva-Conde's maternity leave come June.
 - CA said she planned to put this on ConCom's agenda in April.
 - GB asked about plans for weed treatment on Flannagan Pond this spring (postponed from summer 2011 due to flooding).



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- CA said Fire Chief Pedrazzi, from the Dam and Pond Committee, contacted her asking for the specific date for this treatment.
 - CA replied to him that the date of treatment is weather –dependent.
- CA will also contact Rob Wheaten of Lycott Environmental about their target date for this treatment.

- **Greenway Committee FYI**
 - David Bodurtha informed ConCom that the trailhead on Groton-Harvard Road is being washed out due to the redirection of water flow from road repaving done last year.
 - Mr. Bodurtha said it wouldn't be too hard for DPW to redirect the flow away from the trail.
 - Mr. Bodurtha will keep ConCom posted.

- **Discussion: Wetlands Permit Application Information Packet**
 - Document editing was completed on this packet.
 - CA will go over it to make sure formatting is consistent.

- **9:49 PM – Adjourn Meeting**
 - GB moved to adjourn; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.