

**Conservation Commission
Monthly Report
November 2022**

The Commission continues its work enforcing the Wetlands Protection Act and local Bylaws and Regulation through site inspections on new and continuing projects. The Commission had one meeting in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Commission on their November 10th issued two Certificates of Compliance for 138 and 136 Washington Street. There was a good discussion on looking at alternatives to chemical pond treatments in Town, due to research needed and timing for submitted Requests for Proposals for the 2023 year any changes to the Commission's current plan will need to wait until at least 2024. The Commission also heard presentation from consultant Jim Newman from Linnean Solutions regarding the Pocket Forest Program between Ayer and Devens.

The Conservation Agent continues to go out and inspect ongoing projects including weekly visits to Ayer Solar II and meet with residents to discuss concerns on their property. The Agent The office is continuing the work on several administrative projects during the slowdown of applications including several possible policies and Regulation updates.

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