

Topsfield Conservation Commission
Minutes of Wednesday, February 11, 2015
Topsfield Library Meeting Room

Present: Cheryl Jolley, Chairperson; Dodds Shamroth, Vice Chairperson; Holger Luther, James Carroll, Jennifer DiCarlo, Lana Spillman, Administrator, Dee Wise, Minutes Secretary.

Absent: None.

Other Attendees: Susan Cole, Christopher Cole, Jeff Nulsen, and Jim Scanlan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.

HEARINGS:

Continuation NoI 307-0721: 21 Pemberton Road, (Map 49, Lot 021), Smallidge/Scanlan Engineering. Scanlan provided a letter including an alternatives analysis discussion for activities in Riverfront Area along with his revised plan showing FEMA Floodplain elevation on the site. Pam Merrell of DEP-NERO recommends approval for the septic system only. Wetlands are not being verified, but moving the boundary flags even 20 feet upslope would not trigger need for a setback waiver from the state. Scanlan stated that the septic system is a smaller system but equivalent to the Title 5 septic requirements. The new system has a 40% reduction compared to the Title 5 area. Luther stated that the finding was only for the septic system.

Luther moved to close the hearing; Carroll seconded. So voted Unanimously
Luther moved to issue an Order of Conditions with the usual conditions and a statement that the Order is for the septic system only. Carroll seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

OTHER:

DoA 2015-01: 3 Beech Place, (Map 50, Lot 037) – Discussion with abutters. No abutters were in attendance for this meeting. Spillman mentioned that one abutter expressed privacy concerns. Spillman stated that she had three people (abutters) inquire as to this issue.

FY 2016 Budget – update. Spillman stated that the budget discussion with the Finance Committee was postponed once again and was on again on for Monday, February 23rd. Luther suggested that they meet with the Finance Committee liaison Eric Menzer during the day; Spillman stated she thought it was a good idea and would try to arrange a conference call.

MEETING MINUTES:

January 28, 1015. Minutes were sent along to Spillman just today.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

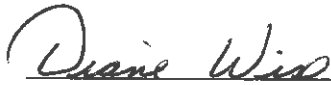
MACC Conference, February 28. Jolley and Shamroth are signed up for this conference.

ADJOURNMENT:

**Luther moved to adjourn, Carroll seconded the motion.
So Voted Unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Wise,
Recording Secretary

Minutes approved at the TCC meeting on February 25, 2015

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