

Members: Members: Chairman Carsten Springer, vice-chair Bobby Loree, Allan Hess, David Caillouette
Alternate members: Patty Shogren and Ed Lang ()

Absent: Jason Holder

Others in attendance: Tracy Tarr – GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.; Chris Melton - Eversource

Meeting called to order @ 7:34PM and televised. Patty and Ed appointed a voting members.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Minutes: Allan made the motion, seconded by Patty, to accept the July 20, 2017 minutes as amended; motion passed. David and Bobby abstained.

Old Business / New Business: Carsten stated that Tracy Tarr and Chris Melton were here to present some minor changes to the J147 and C131 powerline project due to a land owner not completing the intended permanent wetland crossing that was to be built. Tracy presented an updated set of plans for the projects and noted that impact was minimal, a few changes reflecting Planning Board's input, and that wetland impact would be less.

Carsten noted a road he believed existed by the DAW 50 area of the plan and asked Patty to get an update from Janet Denison on the Sapphire Woods project. Carsten asked Tracy to provide another letter of support with Eversource supporting the coordinated effort of them and the town to build permanent crossings when and where possible. He noted a couple of temporary crossing areas that were being accessed for the second and third time in the past few years for maintenance. It was confirmed for Tracy that soccer had ended for the season and there were no planned events for the Colby Field area but Tracy noted that access would be to the west of the existing field access.

Carsten thanked Tracy and Chris for the update and their time.

Allan updated the Commission and stated that work progressed on the parking lot at the Sanborn Conservation area. He noted that Downey Shea of Eastern Materials (formally Hoyt Gravel pit) was hauling rock to Massachusetts to crush and bringing it back to Danville and to date he has delivered seven tri-axle loads of gravel to area. He noted that fuel alone was more than the \$500.00 Downey was charging Conservation for the gravel and hauling. Allan has been spreading the gravel and grading the area with his excavator.

Carsten noted that Conservation planned to plant 30 apples trees next spring and Bobby stated he removed the fences around the existing trees to weed the area and remove bittersweet vines from climbing the trunks of the trees but had to put baskets back around the trees due to visible deer damage on the trunks.

The Commission discussed the mowing needed in the fields and Carsten asked Allan to research the cost of renting a backhoe to remove the rock and large stumps that were currently in the fields stating that is impossible to mow with the debris and potential damage to moving equipment with the fields in their current shape.

Patty updated the Commission on the information received from Jim Vonderheide of LPPA addressing alternative treatments for milfoil. Reviewing the suggestions, it did not appear that there were many options available. Bobby stated that other weed growth in the north end of the Long Pond was causing the loss of surface water as well and Allan stated that lowering the water level would allow the removal of that debris. Allan noted that when the mill ran and water level could decrease, he believed that action is what kept the

upper area of the lake open and without the changing water level, it was just filling in with the lily pads and other weeds.

Bobby stated that LPPA representatives would like to go on Conservation's agenda in September and it was decided to have them in for the third Thursday of the month's meeting. This would coincide with their submittal of their quarterly report.

Adjournment: At 8:35pm Allan made the motion, seconded by David, to adjourn; motion passed.

Respectively,

Patty Shogren (temporary recording secretary)

Amended/Approved on September 7, 2017 by majority of the Commission