



**EAST LONGMEADOW CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
Wednesday, August 26, 2020  
6:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
Zoom Webinar

## MINUTES

Chair Craig Jernstrom open the meeting at 6:02 PM and called the roll.

### **CALL THE ROLL**

Present: Craig Jernstrom, Chair  
Jeffrey Bosworth, Clerk  
Frances Corgnati  
Erin Lynch  
Anthony Zampiceni- 6:15 PM (unable to participate in votes due to technical issues)

Absent: Tom O'Brien, Vice Chair

Staff Present: Bethany Yeo, Planning & Community Development Director

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

April 10, 2019 – Release of Executive Session Minutes

**Motion to release the previously approved executive session minutes from April 10, 2019 made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Erin Lynch and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).**

June 24, 2020 –Approval and release of Executive Session Minutes

Agenda item continued to the following meeting to provide additional time for review of minutes.

August 12, 2020

Commissioner Frances Corgnati made an amendment to the minutes to correct a typo. **Motion to approve the minutes as amended made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Erin Lynch and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 1. Case RDA 2020-5: Request for Determination of Applicability for 147 Pease Road** (Assessor's Parcel ID 55-13-5) for the removal of a tree within an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act on a 2.45 +/- acre site. Applicant: Kathleen Johnson, 147 Pease Road, East Longmeadow, MA 01028.

The legal notice was read into the record. Applicant Kathleen Johnson was present for discussion and explained that the tree in question was dead, at-risk of falling on her shed and exasperating pest nuisance. Ms. Johnson informed the Commission she intended to leave the stump of the tree. No member of the public spoke in support or opposition of the project as proposed. Chair Craig Jernstrom stated he had no issues with the felling of the tree as the immediate area was lawn and the activity would not be disturbing the resource area.

**Motion to grant a Negative 2 Determination made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Erin Lynch and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

2. **Vote and Ratification of Order of Conditions and Special Conditions for Case NOI 2020-5: Notice of Intent for Pease Road** (Assessor's Parcel ID 32-34A-B) for the construction of a single family home and stormwater management basin within the Buffer Zone on a 2.36 +/- acre site. Applicant: Emanuele Marino, 66 Lathrop Street, West Springfield, MA 01089. (Cont. July 22, 2020)

The Commission reviewed the draft Order of Conditions and Special Conditions as prepared. Chair Craig Jernstrom edited the minimal distance from the resource area from 20 FT to 15 FT after review of the approved plans and suggested additional clarifying language to Special Condition #6. "No permanent limit of work line marker shall be more than 20 FT apart". The Commission accepted the editions.

**Motion to approve the Order of Conditions and Special Conditions for Case NOI 2020-5 as amended made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Erin Lynch and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).**

### **PROJECT MONITORING**

3. Projects [See Project Monitoring spread sheet]
  - Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth noted 79 Old Farm Road may have an unpermitted retaining wall and requested the Planning Director check with the Building Inspector for records of a Building Permit.
  - Chair Jernstrom instructed the Planning Director to send out draft response letter for Hidden Ponds Estates to the Commissioners for comment and review

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

4. Policies and Procedures of the Conservation Commission
  - The Commission discussed the pros and cons of using the Reminder for the publication of legal advertisements rather than the Republican. Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth and Chair Jernstrom opined the Reminder was a better fit for the Commission's mission and the community at large. The Planning Director offered to research the matter more and present her findings to the Commission.

**ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Erin Lynch and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0) at 6:40 PM.**

Respectfully submitted.

Bethany Yeo,  
Planning & Community Development