

**Southampton Conservation Commission (SCC)**  
**Meeting- July 13, 2009**  
**Southampton Town Hall Meeting Room**

**Attendees:** Charlie McDonald, Matthew Christy, Rick Thibault, Randall Kemp, Juliet Locke, Courtney Haff, Robert Barcomb

**Absent:** None

**Public Present:** Marla Hanc, James Baillargeon, Linda Baillargeon, Paul Truehart, Mark Reed

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

**Open Time to the Public**

7:03 PM Marla Hanc presented the Commonwealth of Massachusetts "Open Meeting Law"

**Regular Business**

7:04 PM Reviewed minutes from the May 19, 2009 meeting and from the July 13, 2009 meeting. Motion made to accept minutes by Robert Barcomb, seconded by Randall Kemp. Motion passed 6-1, Rick Thibault abstained.

7:09 PM No treasurer's report to review.

**Correspondence**

7:10 PM

- Letter to Diana Schindler, Town Administrator from Charlie McDonald on behalf of the Southampton Conservation Commission regarding the delineation of the proposed Labrie athletic fields; and
- Updates for the Southampton Selectboard meeting and TV posting regarding the Southampton Conservation Commission Stewardship Funds detailing the Manhan Meadows Sanctuary and Wolf Hill Sanctuary.

**7:23 RDA: 21 Belanger Road**

James and Linda Baillargeon were present. A site visit was conducted on June 25, 2009 in which Charlie McDonald, Matthew Christy, Tom Cross, and Robert Barcomb were present. The Southampton standard Order of Conditions was read aloud, and it was determined that conditions 7 and 8 should be omitted. A motion was made by Matthew Christy to issue a negative determination and accept the Order of Conditions as discussed. Motion seconded by Randall Kemp. Motion passed unanimously.

**7:35 Correspondence Continued**

- Letters to Joel Marchan and Joe Sampson were read aloud, regarding outstanding invoices owed to Kevin Brooks.

**7:38 NOI: 23 & 24 College Highway**

Mark Reed of Heritage Surveys was present along with Paul Truehart of Truehart Realty Trust. Charlie McDonald, Matthew Christy, Randall Kemp, Juliet Locke, Courtney Haff, and Robert Barcomb attended a site visit on July 7, 2009. Mark Reed presented the revised site plan, in which a wetland flag was relocated based on Kevin Brooks' findings. Kevin Brooks' review letter was read aloud. A response letter

to abutter Vijay Dilal from Charlie McDonald on behalf of the Southampton Conservation Commission was also read aloud. It was discussed that the Southampton Planning Board hearing is scheduled for July 22 to discuss stormwater management. The existing NOI from 1999 and the existing Enforcement Order were reviewed. Motion made by Matthew Christy to continue hearing until July 27, 2009 at 7:15 PM. Motion seconded by Robert Barcomb. Motion passed 6-1, Randall Kemp abstained.

#### **7:59 NOI: Manhan Meadows Sanctuary**

Mark Reed of Heritage Surveys was present. A letter was received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife requiring filing with the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA). Mark Reed was inquiring why this was required. Motion made by Juliet Locke to continue hearing until July 27, 2009 at 7:20 PM. Motion seconded by Matthew Christy. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **8:18 Correspondence Continued**

- Letter from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) dated July 8, 2009 to Mr. Robert Kaplan and Mrs. Ellen Kaplan of 27 East Street regarding the Superseding Determination of Applicability (SDA), in which the DEP issued a positive determination;
- Letter from the Southampton Conservation Commission to Mr. and Mrs. Steven Thibault dated July 12, 2009 informing them of the Department of Environmental Protection's decision;
- Letter from Keith Gazaille dated July 10, 2009 to, and informing, the Southampton Conservation Commission of a scheduled Pequot Pond aquatic management treatment start date of July 15, 2009;
- Phone call from Courtney Ley, of Groundwater Environmental Services in Westford, MA on July 6, 2009 to Charlie McDonald. Mr. Ley was informing the Southampton Conservation Commission of new wells to be drilled at 247 College Highway. Drilling to be performed July 15 through 24<sup>th</sup>. It was decided that Randall Kemp would call her back; and
- Letter dated June 14, 2009 from Stella Wiernasz of Riverdale Road to Southampton Conservation Commission. Ms. Wiernasz owns approximately 5.5 acres and is looking to develop recreational use. Charlie McDonald responded via letter on behalf of the Southampton Conservation Commission and read this letter aloud.

#### **8:40 Wolf Hill Sanctuary**

Charlie McDonald presented the sign designs for Wolf Hill Sanctuary. Motion made by Randall Kemp to pay Bill Canon based on the invoice he sent the Southampton Conservation Commission. Motion seconded by Robert Barcomb, motion passed unanimously. Motion made by Randall Kemp to have the Southampton Conservation Commission reimburse Charlie McDonald for the Wolf Hill Sanctuary signs. Motion seconded by Robert Barcomb, motion passed unanimously.

#### **8:55 Bobcat Hollow Review**

A site visit was conducted by Charlie McDonald, Matthew Christy, and Robert Barcomb to determine if the clearing performed within the isolated land subject to flooding was allowed. Matthew Christy volunteered to be the project coordinator for Bobcat Hollow.

#### **9:10 Szczypta Farm**

It was discussed that Bob Fletcher would like to graze animals on the Szczypta Farms property, located along Route 10. In order to do this, Mr. Fletcher would need to install fencing on the property. Charlie

McDonald is going to invite Mr. Fletcher to attend the Southampton Conservation Commission's next meeting on July 27, 2009.

### **9:16 PM Adjournment**

Motion made by Juliet Locke to close meeting. Motion seconded by Rick Thibault. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Correspondence Continued (this correspondence was not read aloud or reviewed during the actual meeting)**

- A copy of a "10-Day Emergency Beaver or Muskrat Permit" was received by the Southampton Conservation Commission, in regards to the culvert located across Crooked Ledge Road. Permit number 01-09 was submitted by Edward Cauley of the Highway Department, and received from the Board of Health on June 2, 2009;
- Letter from the Southampton Planning Board to Mr. Edward Gwinner dated January 6, 2009 regarding the Notice of Decision/Stormwater Permit as it relates to the Common Drive along Gilbert Road;
- Letter from the Conservation Law Foundation dated June 9, 2009 inquiring about donations, as well as the Advocacy Highlights newsletter, Summer 2009;
- UMass Extension Quarterly newsletter, Volume 7, No. 2, Summer 2009;
- Massachusetts Congress of Lake and Pond Associations, Inc. Water Wisdom newsletter, Summer 2009;
- MassWildlife News (Commonwealth of Massachusetts – Division of Fisheries and Wildlife) dated June 5, 2009, Number 6;
- Letter from Massachusetts Slow Growth Initiative, dated June 10, 2009 regarding Chapter 40B housing;
- Letter, brochure, and postcard received from Northeast Organic Farming Association/ Massachusetts Organic Land Care Program;
- Letter from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to Keith Gazaille of Aquatic Control Technologies dated June 19, 2009;
- Letter from Michael Marcus of New England Environmental, Inc. to the Department of Environmental Protection dated April 20, 2009 requesting a Superseding Determination of Applicability on behalf of Robert and Ellen Kaplan of 27 East Street;
- Letter from the Department of Conservation and Recreation dated May 29, 2009 regarding an informational workshop;
- Letter from Steve Howland dated May 17, 2009 to Charlie McDonald, regarding land owned by Mr. Howland located at 82 Brickyard Road and stating his interest in a Conservation Restriction on the property; and
- Association of Massachusetts Wetland Scientists Newsletter, July 2009, No. 70.