

NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING SEPT 20, 2023 MINUTES

Present: Bill Llewelyn, Mike Barry, Charlie Blanker, Robin Conley, Sarah Kerns, Tori Luksha  
Guests: Richard Ryan, Nancy Billings, Deb & Connie Putnam

Bill opened the meeting at 7:03 pm.

The Putnams submitted the **RDA for a small stream modification** to DEP and posted the notice in the newspaper in a timely manner. There were no responses from the public. Motion made (Charlie/Sarah) and carried to approve the stream modifications.

Richard Ryan, 796 Pine Meadow Rd, wants to install a **single-pole tracking solar panel** on his property. ConsCom requested that he submit a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) form. To be discussed at the October meeting.

Motion made (Charlie/Tori) and carried to approve Ward Smith as the wetlands specialist to address the issues of the **Cease & Desist Order** at 15 Millers Falls Road issued by ConsCom. We will review Mr. Ward's report when completed.

ConsCom continues to be unaware of the Zoning Board decisions regarding the **erosion at King Philip's Hill**. Charlie will reach out to the chair of ZBA.

There are no updates on the **removal of silt and debris at Pauchaug Boat Ramp**. Sarah will reach out to Skip Dunnell regarding this matter. We have also not seen the first soil sample test results at the site. We discussed the timeline of the emergency order.

We discussed the possibility of people living in previously abandoned **campers situated in the resource area of a perennial stream**. ConsCom will inquire of the property owner what is happening there and what the management is of wastewater.

Mike will return the phone call from Engleheart regarding the property on **3 West Road**.

Justin Maynard inquired by phone message what the conservation restrictions and lien were for the property at **400 4-Mile Brook Road**. We returned his call during the meeting and put him on speaker phone. ConsCom recommended that he confirm all stakes are at the 200' delineation from the perennial stream.

The tablets arrived for the **mapping tools**. There was much discussion as to how the program will work. One tablet is for the Stewardship Cmte. We shared concerns regarding the lack of activity of the Stewardship Cmte.

Aug 16 minutes approved with one correction. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.