

Northfield Conservation Commission
February 20, 2019

Present: Bill Llewelyn, Joan Deely, Charley Eiseman, Mike Barry
Absent: Charlie Blanker,
Guests: Meredith Borenstein

Call to Order @7:45 pm

Hearings

Partial Certificate of Compliance

Old Wendell Rd.

MB and CE visited the site.

1st year of planting looked OK. Full CoC will be issued after 5 years when monitoring is complete.

Fall of 2017 – part of upland berm was planted, but may have been too late – blew out in heavy rain.

Subsequently, erosion control installed – replanting and mulching done July 2018.

Borenstein: SV 9/7/18 by ~~NCC~~^{SWCA} found the site well-vegetated. Army Corps accepted it.

The Partial CoC should state that the first year of work is complete, 1st year of monitoring is done. This language needs to be added to the document we issue – state clearly what has been done and is covered by the partial CoC, and what remains to be done that will allow for issuance of the full CoC.

CT River Streambank Restoration Project OOC

Reviewed plans to ensure that all revisions from the 12/31/18 are included.

CB was to complete OOC but he was not at this meeting. Notes from 1/2019 meeting not available to verify OOC details.

Eversource RDA for utility work

Eversource was to submit a new RDA that would include the 2,000 sq. ft. change in location of work area as part of the tower replacement work.

NCC thought we hadn't received this material but determined that it had been sent via email, along with the legal notice.

CE noted an area near the cellar hole where alders had been cut was in a flagged area.

BL will ask Devleena about this when he calls her to let her know that we need a hard copy of the RDA.

CE moves to issue a negative determination

JD seconds.

Motion passed unanimously.

CoC for fishnet at Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Project.

MB filled this document out.

MB moves to issue the CoC.

CE seconds.

Motion passed unanimously.

20 Main RDA

A negative determination was agreed to for this project at the 1/19 meeting, but there was not a quorum to vote on it at the time.

Negative Determination signed. JD to send to landowner.

Minutes

12/18 meeting minutes are signed. Need to make a copy for NCC and convey original to Dan Campbell.

Other business

/waiver of 61A for property at 19 Four Mile Brook Road. Joel Fowler is taking this land out of 61A. NCC is not exercising right of first refusal. BL will look into this just to clarify which lot it is and where building will take place – NCC has questions about this project and some concerns about location of proposed building.

MB received an email from Mt. Grace's Jay Rasku re Alderbrook Trail. New property owner of house that is next to the trail's entrance concerned about a funky pine tree and lots of woodpeckers. If one big one is removed, the smaller ones will be more vulnerable – can a cost share be arranged? The tree is question is actually the Ames's tree.

Reviewed cutting plan.

Next Meeting – March 20, 7:30 pm.

JD moves to adjourn, CE seconds. Meeting ends at 8:47 pm.

Bill Hardy
Joanna
M. L. Bay
A. L. Barker
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