

NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING JULY 21, 2021 MINUTES

Present: Bill Llewelyn, Chair; Mike Barry, Charlie Blanker

Absent: Robin Conley

Guest: Tom Harrison, Luke Detwiler, Anna Santana (via phone)

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM.

The first order of business was the **NOI at Tom Harrison's property**, DEP File #249-0123. Tom said they want to put an addition onto the back of their house 180' from a brook and will plant shrubbery along the brook's edge. Motion made (Charlie/Mike) and carried to close hearing. Motion made (Charlie/Mike) and carried to issue a standard Order of Conditions stipulating no debris will enter brook.

Luke Detwiler, representing **FirstLight MA Hydro**, informed the Commission of plans to remove debris at the tailrace tunnel intake structure on or about Sept. 15. Schematics were presented. An RDA needs to be filed before Commission can make any motions.

Charlie said he needs more specific plans on the construction of the foot bridges in order to complete the **OOC for Mill Brook Trail renovations**. Mike said the Commission has already approved the renovations. Bill shared a brook crossing was washed away in last week's storm.

Bill reported mail alerting damage to the dam and pond at the **property on 4-Mile Brook Road** that had trees cut along the riverfront. Members were not certain if dam structure is within ConCom jurisdiction. Charlie will ask Mark Stinson.

Motion made (Charlie/Mike) and carried to approve an emergency order issued by Bill to **repair a residential bridge** on Maple Street that washed out in last week's storm. The destruction at Ames Accessible Trail was discussed.

Bill Lattrell is retiring in Sept., and Commission discussed **need to advertise for a wetlands specialist**.

Anna Santana has hired wetlands specialist Tony Wonseki. Reports and documents will follow.

Minutes of the June 16 meeting were accepted as written.

A resident has inquired about any wetlands decision on Lot 55 D8.1 in approximately 2007 or 2008.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wed., Aug. 18, 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Minutes were approved as amended 8/18/21. Electronically submitted to Town Clerk 8/19/21. RC