

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 9th, 2019 MEETING

A meeting of the Longmeadow Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:00 P.M. on October 9th, 2019 in the conference room at the Longmeadow Police Station.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Al Laakso, Stephen Gazillo, Christopher Nolan, David Dumais, James Ryan. *Absent:* John Bresnahan, Andrea Chasen.

OTHERS PRESENT: Nicholas Patryn, Bruce Patryn, Andreas Gottzmann.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: Chair Al Laakso made a motion to accept the minutes of September 25th, 2019 as amended and Christopher Nolan seconded the motion. All in favor 4-0 with one abstention (James Ryan), minutes were accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salary \$5,386.64, Maintenance \$665.26, Office Supplies \$100, Miscellaneous \$-182. Wetlands Protection Fund \$7,360.65, ConCom Trust Fund \$9,344.70

NOI – MORNINGSIDE DRIVE CULVERT REPLACEMENT (CONTINUATION): The applicant has requested additional time to provide signoffs from all the property owners, therefore the public hearing will be extended to October 23rd.

RDA – EROSION CONTROL AT LAUREL POND PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE: Eagle Scout Nicholas Patryn, under the mentorship of Scoutmaster Andreas Gottzmann, proposed an erosion control project at the start of the pedestrian bridge on Laurel Pond which would consist of the installation of fascines (tightly tied up bundles of fallen branches) that are anchored to the slopes with wood stakes, filled in with rocks and seeded. The project is expected to be performed in approximately two days with the cooperation of the Eagle Scout troop (8 to 12 individuals) and DPW will assist in material delivery. While fascines are a form of sedimentation control, Christopher Nolan raised concern over sedimentation falling into the water body during construction.

Chair Al Laakso made a motion to issue a Negative Determination #2 and #6 and James Ryan seconded the motion with special conditions set forth by Christopher Nolan to provide sedimentation controls and pedestrian safety measures during the construction period. All in favor 5-0, motion approved.

OTHER BUSINESS – The following items were discussed:

1. After an inspection on 84 Magnolia Circle, an emergency certification was issued for work to be promptly performed on a sewer manhole that requires shore up due to a washout.
2. The commission is working on educational material for the most prominent invasive species to be posted on the Town's website. In addition, Mr. Nolan presented a draft of the potential framework for an invasive species management plan, with some of the key points being the identification of properties around town to be surveyed and selection of plant species to be identified. The commissioners will continue to review and tailor the language with the intent of submitting it to the Select Board in the near future.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bianca Damiano
Secretary