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Leominster Conservation Commission
PUBLIC MEETING LEOMINSTER
25 West St, Room 10
May 27, 2014, 7PM
Meeting Minutes

I. In Attendance

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff Present</u>
Daniel Brodeur		Joanne M DiNardo - Conservation Agent
Kelley Freda – Chair		
Larry Gianakis, Jr.		
Julia McKinney		
Scott Pearson – Vice Chair		

II. Hearings

1. Chairperson Kelley Freda calls the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. 7:00PM A public hearing was opened to consider a Request for Determination by Michael and Tammy Piermarini for installation of an 8-foot high privacy fence at Lot 262-6 Merriam Ave, Leominster. The fence will be installed along the northerly property line. This work will take place within the 100-foot buffer of Pierce Pond. Assessors Map 262, Parcel 6.
 - a. Michael Piermarini, 931 Elm Street Leominster represents the project. The project will not alter anything in the bufferzone. Mr. Piermarini simply wants to put up a fence.
 - b. Freda asks if any commission members have any questions on this.
 - c. Larry Gianakis, Jr. asks how far is the fence going to go towards the water. Mr. Piermarini answers about 10 feet from the water. The property is high enough and away from the high water mark. He explained that he talked to several engineers and some said you don't need to file but some said you do need to file. They do not plan on leaving a space but it will be up to the contractor. There will be a wildlife corridor and they will leave a space on the bottom if possible. Six feet no permit and eight feet you need a building permit. He is not certain what type of fence he will be installing. There is discussion about the type of fence that will be put up. Mr. Piermarini does not know at this time what type of fence he will put up. Mr Piermarini stated that they had a large spruce tree and several of the large limbs were cut. He did not give permission for the limbs to be cut.
 - d. Julia McKinney asks so you are only going to put it on that one side? Mr. Piermarini answers yes that is correct.
 - e. McKinney asks is there fence on the other side already? Mr. Piermarini answers what is over on that side is a natural vegetated fence.
 - f. Freda explains the position on fences. This Request for Determination falls under the Wetlands Protection Act as a part of a wildlife barrier. A picket fence or chain link fence with open space on the ground this would not require a filing. However because you do not know the type of fence then the commission requires a filing.
 - g. Freda asks for questions.
 - h. Freda asks if anyone in the audience would like to speak on this Request for Determination? After three times no one in the audience comes forward.

- i. Freda asks Joanne DiNardo for her comments and recommendations. They are:
- j. DiNardo recommends a Negative Three Determination.
 - i. Once Mr. Piermarini's plan is completed, DiNardo recommends that he come back to the Commission so that they can formally review it.
 - ii. Please submit all final details & materials list before the start of work.
 - iii. Please notify the Conservation Commission 48-hours before the work begins.
 - iv. The fence cannot be put up within 10 feet of the high water mark.
- k. Freda asks if there is any objection to closing the public meeting. There is no objection.
- l. Freda asks for a motion for a Request for Determination by Michael and Tammy Piermarini for installation of an 8-foot high privacy fence at Lot 262-6 Merriam Ave, Leominster either with DiNardo's recommendations or other recommendations.
- m. Gianakis makes a motion for a Negative Three Request for Determination for installation of an 8-foot high privacy fence at Lot 262-6 Merriam Ave, Leominster with DiNardo's recommendations. Pearson seconds the motion.
- n. Freda asks for discussion. Freda asks for a vote of Commission members who are in favor? Freda asks for a vote of Commission members who are opposed. None are opposed.

7:10

III. Regular Meeting

- 1. Enforcements
 - a. 554 Willard/22 Jytek, DiNardo contacted the engineer for soil testing.
 - b. 24 Jytek Dr., NOI expected for June, the Conservation Commission expects to see it by its June 10, 2014 meeting.
 - c. 30 Theresa Drive, LWTC John Kelly would like to meet with the Conservation Commission. The Commission will ask DiNardo to ask Mr Kelly to meet next Thursday night (June 5, 2014) at 6:00 pm. A confirmation will be sent out.
- 2. Communications, there are none at this time.
- 3. Minutes
 - a. Minutes May 13, 2014 will be reviewed at the June 10, 2014 meeting.
- 4. Old Business, there are none at this time.
- 5. New Business, there are none at this time.
- 6. Certificate of Compliance, there are none at this time.
- 7. Extension Permit, there are none at this time.
- 8. Emergency Certifications, there is a problem with a sewer connection with a house on Pleasant street right next to the brook. There are roots in the sewer connection. The connection has been examined with cameras. With any luck the blockage will be fixed by next Thursday. DiNardo has issued an emergency certification for this.
 - a. Freda asks the Commission for a ratification of emergency order of conditions for emergency sewer line repairs on Pleasant Street. The motion is made by Gianakis. It is seconded by Scott Pearson. Freda asks for discussion. There is none. 7:14
- 9. Agent's Report, there are none at this time.
- 10. Sign Papers
 - a. Request for Determination by Piermarini
- 11. Chairman's Report, there are none at this time.
 - a. Freda asks DiNardo to come up with an amount of funds that she would like the Commission to ask to be appropriated from the Wetlands Fund account for the Excel Visual Training by the next meeting.
- 12. Next Meeting June 10, Deadline May 30
- 13. Adjournment, the meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Pellecchia, Conservation Scribe