

**CITY OF FITCHBURG
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2018**

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE: Tracey Sarefield, Chair, John Cordio, Mike Donnelly, Harry Karis, John Koutonen, David Streb [6]

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Smith. Mike O'Hara

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:01 at Fitchburg Municipal Airport, 567 Crawford St., Administration Building, Room 106.

Ms. Sarefield read an introduction stating the mission statement of the Commission, and the role & responsibilities of the Conservation Commission and the eight interests of the Wetlands Protection Act.

MINUTES

Minutes of August 28th meeting approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice of Intent - Fitchburg Municipal Airport - Shift & extend runway 14-32 in Riverfront Area

Hearing was postponed to 10/30/18 at the request of the applicant.

Date & time of site walk TBA after the riverbank area at the end of the proposed runway has been mowed by the Airport.

Notice of Intent - Panagiotes, 0 Stickney Rd., new single-family dwelling

This is a re-application of an expired Order of Conditions from 2006.

Hearing opened. Green cards for mailing to abutters turned in.

George Desgroselliers presented plan which has not changed since 2006. Proposed single family dwelling in buffer zone of intermittent stream. House will connect to public sewer.

Public Comment:

Don Russell, 178 Stickney Rd. questioned whether site work would have any effect on his property. It was determined that his property is upgradient of the site.

Motion made & seconded to issue Order of Conditions with boilerplate conditions, plus and pre-construction site meeting with excavation operator to go over OOC, proposed dwelling must connect to public sewer, edge of wetlands on site must be re-flagged, and marked with signs as "Wetland Area - Do Not Disturb". Vote unanimous in favor.

Request for Determination of Applicability - Proctor, 218 Richardson Rd. - Septic Repair

Dan Proctor in to present plan for replacement septic system for the 3-BR single-family at 218 Richardson Rd. Proposed replacement system is just outside of the 100-foot wetland buffer zone. Work is in the Riverfront Area of tributary to Greene's Pond, but is just outside the 100-foot Riverfront Area. Limit of work/erosion control barrier is at the edge of 100-foot buffer zone. House is on public water. Dan estimates that work will just take 3-4 days to finish.

Motion made & seconded to issue Negative Determination of Applicability, subject to 48 hrs. notice prior to start of work, and pre-construction site meeting with excavation operator.

Vote unanimous in favor.

Request for Certificate of Compliance - #155-667, Georgia-Pacific remediation, Princeton Rd.
Mike Scott, LSP and Kathleen Romaine, Kennedy Jenks present. They explained remediation that had been done so far. However there had been additional buried oil drums found, which were excavated & removed. Photos of site distributed.

Plan to start work mid-October. Need to have get drill rig there to make several test holes to determine extent of contamination & then remove the contaminated materials. Area is in buffer zone of the large pond on site. Commission not willing to do Emergency Certification since that feel they should have filed an NOI. Commission wants to have ample notification of start of work. Applicant will update Commission at next meeting.

Motion made & seconded to adjourn. Vote in favor.
Meeting adjourned: 7:30 p.m.
Next regular meeting: 10/30/18
Minutes approved: 10/30/18