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Town of Acushnet  
Conservation Commission  
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Robert Rocha, Chairman  
Ted Cioper, Vice-Chair  
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Heidi Pelletier  
Evelyn Bouley  
Paul Valente

Merilee Kelly, Conservation Agent  
Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk

MINUTES OF November 12, 2019  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

**Present:** Robert Rocha, Chairman  
Paul Valente  
Heidi Pelletier  
Everett Philla

**Absent:** Ted Cioper  
Evelyn Bouley

Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Joann DeMello

**I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M.**

**II. Minutes for approval:**

A motion was made by E. Philla to approve the minutes of October 22, 2019. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**III. Meeting Mail:**

**IV. Appointments: None.**

**V. Old Business:**

**VI. New Business:**

**RDA – Matthew Mitchell / 33 – 35 Beech Street** - A Request for Determination was filed by Matthew Mitchell for property located at 33 – 35 Beech Street, Map 25, lot 291. The applicant proposes to clear brush and install a retaining wall and requests whether the work depicted on the plan is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act. The Commission conducted a site visit on Saturday. Matthew Mitchell was here to discuss the project. Mr. Mitchell had begun some clearing of brush and started to install a 4 foot retaining wall to prevent spillage into the wetland. E. Philla noted there was a lot of sand on the property. Mr. Mitchell stated this sand is the soil that is existing; nothing has been brought to the site. E. Philla would like to see an erosion barrier installed. Agent Kelly agrees it needs to be installed. E. Philla

made a motion to issue a negative determination with the stipulation that a silt fence or haybales are installed at the back property boundary until the wall is up and the grass has grown in. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**COC – Poineau / 12 Apple Blossom Lane (SE001-0513)** A Certificate of Compliance was filed by Robert and Laurel Poineau for property located at 12 Apple Blossom Lane, Map 11 Lot 25. The applicant proposed to construct a new single-family residence with associated driveway and septic, within the 100 foot buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The Commission did a site visit on Saturday. The project is complete and the grass has grown in. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue the Certificate of Compliance. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**VII. Agent Updates:**

Agent Kelly had the following updates:

- Agent Kelly informed the Commission that Woodard & Curran will do a presentation on Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan. The joint meeting with Town Boards and Departments will be held on November 26, 2019 at the Council on Aging Building at 5:00 p.m.
- Everett Philla said the Annual MACC meeting is set for February 29, 2020 to be held at Holy Cross College.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:21 P.M.**

A motion to adjourn was made by P. Valente. The motion was seconded by E. Philla. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted:

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk  
Acushnet Conservation Commission

Minutes Approved:

Robert C. Rocha  
Robert Rocha  
absent

Evelyn Bouley  
Evelyn Bouley  
absent

Ted Cioper  
Ted Cioper

Heidi Pelletier  
Heidi Pelletier

Everett Philla  
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Paul Valente  
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