

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Town of Acushnet **Conservation Commission**

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Robert Rocha, Chairman Everett Philla, Vice- Chairman Heidi Pelletier Evelyn Bouley Paul Valente Richard Pimentel Ryan Rezendes

Patrick Hannon, Conservation Agent Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk



Present:

Robert Rocha, Chairman

Everett Philla

Ryan Rezendes Richard Pimentel Heidi Pelletier

Patrick Hannon, Agent

Joann DeMello

Evelyn Bouley

Absent: Paul Valente

Marc Cenerizio Jr. – Rep Weld

Luke Legere, Attorney McGregor, Legere & Stevens

Derick Hill, P.J. Keating Co., President

Dianne Abram, resident Aaron Carvalho, resident Robert Meunier, resident

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. held in the Town Meeting Room - 122 Main Street

Minutes for approval: None.

Meeting Mail: Peer review report from Beals and Thomas – 88 Wing Lane. Agent Hannon moved this item to the Stormwater section.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Discussion:

- Acceptance by commission of DEP Wetlands Enforcement Manual. Agent Hannon would like the Commission to review the enforcement manual.
- Wetlands Enforcement Team Agent Hannon suggested a team of 3 members; discussion at the April 27th meeting.
- Policy on RDA requirements requiring DEP sign with number (RDA-123) also require final inspection and sign off by commission. Agent Hannon would like a sign placed on the property RDA-ACU #001 etc. This would aide in the inspection of the project and a certification of completion. R. Pimentel made a motion to accept this policy. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- Town vehicle. Town has 3 electric vehicles from a grant, Agent Hannon spoke with Town Administrator about using the vehicle for commuting, Town Administrator said bring it to the Commission for a vote. Everett made a motion to approve vehicle for Conservation Agent and send vote to Town Administrator. R. Pimentel seconded the motion. 1 abstained, 1 opposed. Motion passed 3-1-1.
- Meeting attendance by commissioners. Agent Hannon said Paul Valente has been thinking about giving up his spot on the Commission. Chairman Rocha to reach out to Paul and Evelyn for an update. Agent Hannon mentioned he has received interest from 4 residents, names were forwarded to the Town Administrator.

Stormwater:

- Stormwater regulation revisions. Agent Hannon recommended the Commission wait to approve the revisions until after Town Meeting to be held on May 9, 2022.
- Rep-Weld 734 Main Street Agent Hannon said a package was delivered today
 from Schneider, Davignon & Leone. It did not contain the stormwater permit
 application or fee. Mr. Cenerizio was present and said he had never been notified this
 was needed. Agent Hannon said it was mentioned at the site visit and your engineer
 is aware of the process. Tabled to next meeting.
- Deep Brook Estates off Park Drive Mr. Castelo has agreed to apply for the Stormwater permit.
- CVE North America 88 Wing Lane Beals & Thomas did a wet weather test, water is not flowing into the basin. The infiltration test failed.
- P.J. Keating Co. 72 South Main Street Stormwater permit needed, Agent Hannon sent Robert Robinson a letter, no reply. A certified letter was sent to Derick Hill President of PJK. Agent Hannon included his reply for the Commission to read and his letter was sent to Town Counsel. R. Rezendes asked about a site visit to the PJK property. Agent Hannon will set it up. Attorney Legere asked about the stormwater regulation, Agent Hannon said it's on the website nothing has changed. H. Pelletier asked about the Stormwater Bylaw is it from 2007? Agent Hannon yes EPA is requiring an update to keep the Town in compliance.

Violations:

• CVE North America 88 Wing Lane – violation of RDA conditions. Agent Hannon suggested an NOI filing.

- 2 Tillie Way reported wetland alteration in rear of property. Mr. Carvalho did speak with Agent Hannon and was present at this meeting. Mr. Carvalho explained an issue with a raw sewage smell, he dug a pipe to address the issue. Schedule site visit for April 23, 2022.
- 98 Robinson Road reported stormwater violation in rear of property. Neighbor complaint backhoe approximately 100 ft. from back of house a 2 ft. to 3 ft. trench was dug and now the water lands in the neighbors' yard. Saturday site visit??
- 39 Nye's Lane reported stormwater violation in rear of property. Owner has contacted Agent Hannon said he has been in contact with Farland Corp. Saturday site visit?? Mr. Meunier voiced his concerns to the Commission, regarding smell and drainage.
- 135 Mattapoisett Road reported wetlands filling and tree cutting. Firewood was dropped off in front yard, Agent Hannon said wood pile is ok to move. Concrete filling in wetlands, site visit is needed. Owner's fiancé contacted Agent Hannon.
- 72 South Main Street Enforcement Order continuing violations, DEP file # SE 001-0558. Agent Hannon spoke with Town Counsel working on issuing enforcement order by April 27. Attorney Luke Legere spoke on the work timeline, issuance of an enforcement order and the appeal process. Chairman Rocha inquired on the moving of the stockpiled material. Agent Hannon said the Soil Board will be meeting soon. Stormwater permitting was discussed, Attorney Legere gave an overview of the Hot Mix Asphalt plant paved area also speaking about PJK being grandfathered regarding stormwater discussions with the prior Conservation Agent. Dianne Abram asked why is the removal of the pile going to take so long? Chairman Rocha replied the pile is enormous due to weather conditions, safety and the amount of material that needs to be moved this is a planned process. Attorney Legere said he has provided a timeline for the area to be stabilized, contractors to do the work this is a realistic timeline. PJK President Derick Hill also gave an overview of the proposed work.

Agent Updates:

- Agent Hannon spoke with EPA regarding 72 South Main Street Wetland violation regarding soil in the wetlands is not in their jurisdiction; under DEP. EPA is interested in the wetlands loss near the wooded swamp area.
- Annual Report Agent Hannon asked if the Commission had any submissions for the Town Report please submit them to him.
- Cell Phones Agent Hannon now has a Town issued cell phone.

Public Meeting adjourned at 7:15: p.m.

A motion to adjourn the public meeting was made by R. Pimentel . The motion was seconded by H. Pelletier . Motion passed 5-0

Respectfully submitted:	
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Acushnet Conservation Commission	
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