

Worthington Conservation Commission
Minutes of Meeting
January 21, 2016

1 Call to To Order

The meeting was called to order 01/21/2016 07:03:05 PM

2 Attendance

Jim Molyneux, Virginia Sowers, Diana Noble, Mary Gerken, Ed Lewis

3 Old Business

3.1 Minutes of Meeting - August 20

Mr. Lewis read the minutes of the August 20 meeting. Ms. Gerken offered a motion that Ms. Noble seconded that the commission approve the minutes as presented and corrected. The commission approved the motion unanimously.¹

3.2 Minutes of Public Hearing - October 28

Mr. Lewis read the minutes. Mr. Molyneux offered a motion that Ms. Sowers seconded that the commission approve the minutes as presented.

The commission approved the motion unanimously.

3.3 Wolf Property - State Highway 143

The commission performed a site inspection on August 22 following allegations of non-compliance with the wetlands protection act on land owned by Devon and Kelly Wolf on the north side of

¹Corrections consisted of a few minor typographic errors and omissions. Minutes as corrected are posted.

SH-143. One of the culverts is located at (latitude, longitude) +42.43004 -72.98716. Other culverts are located within the vicinity. Mr. Lewis drafted a letter to the Wolfs and reviewed the letter with Mark Stinson (DEP). The commission has not approved or sent the letter as of this time.

4 New Business

4.1 Budget Request

The Town of Worthington has requested board budget requests by February 12. Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions (MACC) Dues will be \$187. Mr. Lewis offered a motion that Ms. Sowers seconded that the commission submit a budget request of \$600.

This request is based on 3 members attending the annual MACC conference plus paying annual dues to the MACC. The commission approved the motion unanimously.

4.2 Forest Cutting Plan

The commission is in receipt of a forest cutting plan for land abutting Cummington Road. A John Ciejek of 263 East Street, Williamsburg is the landowner. The work involves 77 "MBF" (77,000 "Board Feet") also cited as 162 'cfs' (586 m³), and 100 'Vol. Tons' of wood. This December 2015 filing amends a December 30, 2013 plan. The expiry of amendment is December 13, 2016. Mr. Sean Libbey is the service forester who is employed by the State of Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR).

5 Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 01/21/2016 07:42:01 PM