

Town of Auburn, Massachusetts
Minutes of the Meeting
Conservation Commission
Auburn Town Hall Planning Board Room
Wednesday, June 26, 2019

Members Present: Michael Garland, Thomas Fallon, Michelle Culross, Nathan Rand and Antonios Romniou.

Members Absent: Alison Holmes & Carolyn Corriveau.

7:00pm Michael Garland called the meeting to order. The Town cable staff was present and the meeting was recorded live. No other attendee was recording the meeting.

7:05pm Applicant: Anastasia Pirperis, a Request for Determination for the removal of 4 trees on property located 199 Rochdale St., Auburn, MA. Map 30, Parcel 47.

Thomas Fallon motioned to open the public hearing, second by Antonio Romniou. The vote was all in favor.

Present for the hearing was Ms. Pirperis explaining the 4 trees she wishes to remove, one which was leaning towards the dwelling. Ms. Pirperis brought photos of the property showing the trees she wishes to remove. Dan Moss tree removal service has planned on removing the trees within the next 30 days. No further questions or comments.

Thomas Fallon motioned to close the public hearing, second by Michelle Culross. The vote was all in favor.

5-8-19 Meeting Minutes. Thomas Fallon motioned to approve the minutes with amendments, second by Nathan Rand. The vote was all in favor.

5-22-19 Meeting Minutes. Thomas Fallon motioned to approve the minutes with amendments, second by Antonio Romniou. The vote was all in favor.

7:10pm Applicant: Town of Auburn Sewer Department, a Request for Determination for the installation of a sewage force main located from the Pinrock Road pump station to the Upper Blackstone treatment facility and associated site work. Map 28, Parcel 28 & 48.

Thomas Fallon motioned to open the public hearing, second by Antonio Romniou. The vote was all in favor.

Present for the hearing was Cassandra Koutalidis consultant for the on-site engineering, filling in for Ray Willis. Ms. Koutalidis explained that a new 20" ceramic pipe will be installed to replace the 40 year old 20" pipe. This pump station delivers sewage to Blackstone. 250' of Rose Lane in Worcester will be excavated to the valve at the pump station, installing parallel force main lines into Worcester. This type of work is normally exempt from filing, however, the bylaws did not state it was, therefore, the filing of the RDA.

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The open trench will be backfilled and the road will be graded. The work will be conducted in the outer riparian of the resource area. The estimated work will be under one week in Auburn. Ms. Koutalidis offered the Commission to a pre-construction meeting if they would like to attend.

The Upper Blackstone Valley and treatment facility will go out to bid in September and will plan on fall construction.

No further comments or questions.

Thomas Fallon motioned to close the public hearing, second by Michelle Culross. The vote was all in favor.

6-12-19 Meeting Minutes. Thomas Fallon motioned to accept the minutes with amendments, second by Michelle Culross. The vote was all in favor.

ISSUANCES:

199 Rochdale St. A. Pirperis, RDA. Thomas Fallon motioned to issue a Negative Determination for the removal of 4 trees, second by Michelle Culross. The vote was all in favor. DOA signed.

Pinrock Road. Town of Auburn, RDA. Michelle Culross motioned to issue a Negative Determination on the installation of a sewer force main, providing the Commission be notified of the pre-construction meeting, second by Thomas Fallon. The vote was all in favor. DOA signed.

33 Sword St. F.W. Webb. Amend Order of Conditions.

Michael Garland stated he spoke with Denise Child at MassDEP relative to the 2/19/19 Amendment to the Order of Conditions. The abutter, Auburn Industrial Development has agreed with the revised Operation and Maintenance Plan. Ms. Child stated the appeal will be dismissed. Michelle Culross motioned to Amend the Order of Conditions with the language that Michael Garland will compose, with the May 15, 2019 Operation and Maintenance Plan, second by Thomas Fallon. The vote was all in favor.

805-809 Washington St. Herb Chambers requesting a Certificate of Compliance. Michael Garland stated he visited the site on 6-22-19 and the site is well established and is in compliance with the as-built plan. Michelle Culross motioned to issue a Certificate of Compliance, second by Thomas Fallon. The vote was all in favor. The CoC was signed.

77 Berlin St., Joseph Senecal and Katheen O'Neil purchased property 2/2018. There is a shed located near the water. The site has 2.3 acres. Thomas Fallon motioned to issue an Enforcement Order to the owner to move the shed, second by Nathan Rand. The vote was 5 in favor 1 abstaining (Michelle Culross).

Blaker St. Members of the Conservation Commission visited the site and the erosion control measures were in place.

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20 Tinker Hill Road, Greenhill Engineering, NOI. Michelle Culross motioned to continue the public hearing until 7-10-19 @ 7:00pm for the repair of a septic system, second by Nathan Rand. The vote was all in favor.

7:38 Michelle Culross motioned to adjourn, second by Thomas Fallon. The vote was all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Conroy
Administrative Assistant

The minutes of June 26, 2019 meeting were approved on August 14, 2019.