



Town of Wales Conservation Commission

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Meeting Minutes – November 30, 2023

Present: Jennifer Bothwell (Jennifer B.) – Commission Member, Zachery Berry (Zach B.)-Chair - Commission Member, Joanie D'Ambrosia (Joanie D.)-Commission Member, Sarah Ryan (Sarah R.), -Clerk

Public Present: Makayla Caliri, Sean Yarrows, Ramona Baranski, Lee Ann Clark, Mark Stinson, Dan Wilder, Andre Cormier

ZB opened the public meeting at 6:03 pm.

Public Hearings:

****Agenda Item: 199 Stafford Rd. – NOI**

Motion 113023-01 by Joanie D. to keep the Notice of Intent for 199 Stafford Rd. (DEP File # WE 314-0179) inactive until the issue of the Enforcement Order is resolved, Seconded by Jennifer B., no discussion all in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Jennifer Bothwell	Y
Joanie D'Ambrosia	Y
Zachery Berry	Y

Old Business:

****Agenda Item: 40 Peck Rd. – Spring Burn- Discussion/Dan Wilder**

Dan Wilder from Norcross provided a basic map showing the areas that would be within the burn area for a scheduled spring burn. The work proposed is a surface level burn, with the root zone unaffected. An NOI filing is required for this work. A site visit will follow the filing.

****Agenda Item: Site Visit's Follow up**

Old County Rd.- (522 a& Turnaround)-

522 - Commission members agree that the proposed work to extend their usable yard needs to stay outside of the 50' buffer zone. The applicant would need to request an amendment of the Final Order of Conditions issued by a Conservation Commission. This can be done either orally at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission or by submitting the request to the Commission in writing. Legal notices and abutter notifications are required for an amendment.

Turnaround – A joint meeting will need to be held between Mr. Cormier (and team), Town of Wales Road Commissioner, Fire Chief, Executive Secretary and Conservation Commission to discuss options for a turnaround/cul de sac for all necessary town and emergency vehicles. The commission would like to see a different location of the currently proposed turnaround and have a gravel base if this poses no issue for town vehicles.

8 Bayside Dr./66 Union Rd.-

An NOI filing is required for the proposed work at 8 Bayside Dr./66 Union Rd., specifically repairing the retaining wall and addressing the trees on site. A Chapter 91 filing is required for this type of project, which the applicant will need to do online through DEP.

****Agenda Item: DEP – Mark Stinson Visit**

Mark Stinson is the Circuit Rider for our area. Mr. Stinson had a lot of great feedback for the commission members and gave the commission direction regarding the agenda items discussed within the meeting. Mr. Stinson is going to follow up with some guidance material for the commission members. The commission is grateful that Mr. Stinson took the time to visit and is grateful for always providing guidance.

Minutes to be approved: 10/19/23.

Motion 113023-02 by Joanie D. to approve the 10/19/23 meeting minutes with edits, Seconded by Jennifer B. no discussion, all in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Jennifer Bothwell	Y
Joanie D'Ambrosia	Y
Zachery Berry	Y

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.
Next meeting is December 20th, 2023, 6pm at the Wales Senior Center.**