



Town of Wales Conservation Commission

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Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2024

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: Dan Wilder, Gary Pfisterer

ZB opened the public meeting at 6:00pm.

Public Hearings:

****Agenda Item:** 19 Shaw Rd. – WPA Form 8A - Request for a Certificate of Compliance

Gary Pfisterer, property owner of 19 Shaw Rd. submitted a WPA Form 8A – Request for a Certificate of Compliance for work conditioned in 2005. Commission members conducted a site visit on February 1, 2024. The commission observed that the site was stable.

Motion 021524-01 by JD to approve and sign WPA Form 8B – Certificate of Compliance for 19 Shaw Rd, the board certifies that the work regulated by the Order of Conditions issued on May 3, 2005, NOI DEP File # 314-109 was satisfactory, Seconded by JB. No discussion, all in favor.

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

****Agenda Item:** 30 Peck Rd. - Invasive species removal works work- Discussion

Dan Wilder of Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary discussed a preliminary plan for invasive species removal along many areas of Norcross property. This is a long-term plan. Some areas would be treated by torching the invasive species, using no herbicides and no uprooting and other areas would be treated with herbicides. The commission feels that separate NOI filings are necessary for each type of treatment and the commission would like updated mapping provided to show additional areas of treatment that are discovered. The commission will be following up with

DEP for the best approach with this project and the continuation of the conditions that will be issued.

****Agenda Item: Annual Report - Discussion**

The annual report was been reviewed by the commission.

Minutes to be approved: 1/11/24

Motion 021524-02 by JD to approve the 1/11/24 meeting minutes with edits submitted,
Seconded by JB no discussion, all in favor.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm.

Next meeting is March 21, 2024, 6pm at the Wales Senior Center.