



**TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Meeting Minutes**

Conservation Commission
April 21, 2021
7:30 PM
Zoom

Approved: May 5, 2021

Members Present: Dennis Reip (Chair), Dave Follett, Norm Hanover, Steve Schmitt, and Hoff Stuart

Members Absent: David Koonce

Also Present: Ryan Ferrara, Town Administrator; Andrew Tavolacci, Dan Rezes, Jennifer Bauder, Karla Briggs, Kristin O'Neil, Andrew Krammen

At 7:35 PM, Dennis called the meeting to order and noted this meeting is being conducted via Remote Participation, pursuant to Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19 a.k.a. the Coronavirus.

Motion was made by Dave, seconded by Hoff and voted unanimously by roll call to approve the minutes of April 7, 2021.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by David and voted unanimously by roll call to approve payment of \$84.10 to the Beacon for the agricultural license hearing notice.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Norm and voted unanimously by roll call to approve the payment of \$540.00 to Places Associates for work on the Depot Road ANRAD.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Norm reported the woodchips on the Whitcomb Road trailhead had been moved and trail is now visible.

Steve reported the Water Commission is researching water rights on the Cisco property. The Commission holds a conservation restriction and there will be further discussions.

Hearing Continuation: Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) DEP 113-564

Location: 595 Depot Road, Assessor's Map 10-011-000 and
615 Depot Road, Assessor's Map 10-012-000.

Applicant: Roger Kanniard, Kanniard Homes

Representative: Molly Obendorf, Stamski & McNary; David Crossman, B & C Associates

Present: Bill Murray, Places Associates

Based on the Places peer review discussed at the hearing on April 7, 2021, a revised plan is expected.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Steve and voted unanimously by roll call to continue the hearing on May 5, 2021 at 7:45 PM.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes.

Hearing Continuation: Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) DEP 113-nnn
(Not assigned yet)

The subject properties are located at 1414 & 1320 Massachusetts Avenue; 244A & 244B Adams Place; 984, 984A, 984B, 984C, 1451, 1497 & 1634 Hazard Lane; and 328 & 1451 Rear Hazard Lane and are known as Assessor's Parcels 12-027, 12-028, 12-030, 13-004, 13-022, 17-005, 17-009, 17-010, 17-022, 17-023, 17-024, 17-025 and 18-001.

Applicant: LPCH Boxborough LP
Representative: David LaPointe, Beals & Thomas, Inc.

Andrew Gorman and David LaPointe of Beals & Thomas, Inc. were present as was Jim Noonan representing Lincoln Properties.

Dennis noted that Places has walked all of the wetlands but would like more time to review the "intermittent stream". He has not found egg masses in the pool in the front of the property. They would like the opportunity to look at the wetlands areas one more time for indicators of vernal pool species and anticipate completing these additional investigations in the next two weeks.

Dennis noted an email from Karla Briggs regarding vernal pools.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Steve and voted unanimously by roll call to continue this hearing on May 5, 2021 at 7:45 PM.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Hearing: Notice of Intent (NOI) DEP 113-565
Location: Massachusetts Avenue, northerly side, Sargent Memorial Library to Liberty Square Road
Applicant: Ryan Ferrara, Boxborough Town Administrator
Representative: Places Associates, Inc.
Property Owner: MassDOT District 3
Primary Reviewer: David Follett

Project description: Construction of a sidewalk on the northerly side of Massachusetts Avenue from Sargent Memorial Library to Liberty Square Road.

Sue Carter, Places Associates, presented the NOI and reviewed the plans.

Dennis noted the peer review from Brian Butler, Oxbow Associates.

Several citizens were present and posed question about speeding, driveway cuts, crosswalks, drainage, and the riverfront area associated with Guggins Brook.

The Commission discussed the topics and Sue answered these queries, including input from MassDOT.

Motion was made by David, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously by roll call to grant the requested waiver of filing fees for this municipal project.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Motion was made by David, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously by roll call to grant the requested waiver to allow work within the 25' no disturb zone and 50' no build zone.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Motion was made by David, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously by roll call to grant the requested waiver of a performance bond as the work will be done under MassDOT contracts.

Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

Motion was made by David, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously by roll call to close this hearing. Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes

At 9:42 PM, motion was made by Norm, seconded by Dennis, and voted unanimously by roll call to adjourn. Reip yes; Follett yes; Hanover yes; Schmitt yes; Stuart yes.

Documents used during this meeting:

Agenda

Draft Minutes March 17, 2021

Invoices

ANRAD 595 & 615 Depot & associated documents

ANRAD 1414 mass Ave & associated documents

NOI Massachusetts Ave & associated documents