

Southampton Conservation Commission (SCC)

Meeting –August, 28 2017

Southampton Town Hall 1st Floor Meeting Room

**Attendees:** Chair Marla Hanc, Vice-Chair Robert Barcomb, Treasurer Arthur Lawrence,

Clerk Brittany Gutermuth, Teague Baker, Matthew Fletcher

**Absent:** None

**Public Present:** David Garstka, 41 Cold Spring Rd  
Chris Karney, R. Levesque Associates Inc.

6:00 **Open Time to the Public**

No members of the public spoke.

**New Business**

6:00 **COC DEP# 289-0202: 97 Gilbert Rd, Applicant - David Garstka Builders, LLC**

Mr. Garstka still needs to meet with the Conservation Commissioners at the site to receive the Certificate of Compliance. The new site visit time is Wednesday August 30<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

6:02 **NOI DEP# 289-0210: 36 Cold Spring Rd, addition of deck, Applicant - David Garstka Builders, LLC**

The footprint for the deck was left off of the plans for 36 Cold Spring Rd. Ms. Hanc states a change can be made to the plans with out re-conditioning. Mr. Garstka presented plans that would add a 12 ft deck to the East of the building. The deck would be raised and not extend the building envelope.

6:06 Mr. Barcomb joined the meeting

Mr. Barcomb moved to accept as presented, Mr. Lawrence seconded. Motion passed with five (5) YES votes and one (1) NO (Ms. Gutermuth).

6:08 **RDA: 306 Fomer Rd, Applicant – Nicholas & Christina Radcliffe, Representative - R. Levesque Associates Inc.**

Landowners were represented by R Levesque Associates. Mr. Karney presented the plan with 100 ft buffer, location of the silt fence at maximum extent of the lawn with hay bales, and erosion control material used on 3 to 1 slopes. Driveway and parking areas are in buffer zones so can be conditioned.

Mr. Barcomb moved to issue a Negative 3 with Southampton Standard Conditions for an RDA, Mr. Baker seconded. Motion passed with six (6) YES votes.

Commissioners signed three copies. One copy of the signed RDA was given to the representative.

**Old Business**

6:19 **Red Brook Estates CR**

Commissioners received an email with the legal document that specifies the payment to the “Holder of the CR”.

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Motion was postponed until all members have had ample time to review the agreement.

**6:25 Shared Conservation Agent**

Ms. Hanc questioned how an agent would attend both Easthampton and Southampton Conservation Commission meetings when they are at the same time. Travel time is included in pay and all meetings attended. Time would be best spent organizing and finding funding sources for bigger projects. Easthampton HR department will take responsibility for the hiring logistics.

**Stewardship Projects**

**6:35 Status of survey work/blazing**

Received email with invoice from Holmberg and Howe. A copy of the Szczypta Farm Conservation Area map was given to Mr. Kemp. Mr. Barcomb let Holmberg & Howe know they were okay to start work on Alice Brown Conservation area.

**6:37 Volunteers**

Will hopefully start up again with school starting.

The sign area on Meadow Lane for Whittemore land needs “tidying”. Options: do nothing, Commissioners pull weeds, hire someone to do the work, wait for volunteers to work on it. Weeds can be composted back in the woods on the site. Ms. Hanc will send an email back that it is on the list but due to no funding, it may be a while.

**6:44 Szczypta Barn**

Ms. Hanc contacted a roofer the select board recommended, they are too busy for an estimate but would be interested in bidding if Conservation Commission is granted the funding. Project sheet will be presented to the CPC on September 6<sup>th</sup> with the hope of having it voted on in at the October town meeting.

**Regular Business**

Glendale Rd project NOI hearing will be on September 11, Ms. Hanc asked if a site visit is wanted before or after the hearing meeting. All agreed to wait until after the public hearing review of the plans to visit with representatives on site.

**6:56 Review minutes from August 14, 2017**

Mr. Lawrence moved to accept as presented, Mr. Barcomb seconded. Motion passed with six (6) YES votes.

**6:56 Treasurer’s Report/Budget**

Mr. Lawrence presented on financial account spreadsheets.

Mr. Barcomb moved to accept Treasurer’s Report, Mr. Baker seconded. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) YES votes.

**6:57 Signatures**

- Conte Wildlife Fund (Act#825200.701, SCC-FY18-P4)

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- Payable to Holmberg and Howe for Survey of Sczcypta Conservation Area  
\$2,400
- Wetlands Protection (Act #245100.020, SCC-FY18-P5)
  - Payable to Marla Hanc for USPS postage \$2.59

6:58 **Correspondence**

**Email**

- August 14, 2017, to Mark Mason – regarding 77 Pequot Road
- August 15, 2017, to Bob Markel, Interim Town Administrator – regarding Chapter 61a - Valley Road Solar Project
- August 15, 2017, to Dante Fini – regarding 12 Wyben Road pre-construction tree removal
- August 15, 2017, from CJ Lammers, The Conway School – regarding Conway School potential project follow-up
- August 16, 2017, from Michele Grzenda – regarding MSMCP - Events, NHESP Priority Maps, and Clean Water Act
- August 16, 2017, from Lindsay Martucci (MACC) – regarding eMACC Education Update - August 16
- August 21, 2017, from Gene F. Crouch Senior Wetland Scientist, VHB – regarding Glendale Road Improvements NOI
- August 23, 2017, from Amanda Lewis (DCR) – regarding Mass Audubon Trail Building and Stewardship Training Announcement
- August 23, 2017, from Joy Duperault (DCR) – regarding WEBINAR: NOAA Eastern Region Climate Services, Tues August 29, 9:30am
- August 24, 2017, from CJ Lammers, The Conway School – regarding Southampton Trail project
- August 24, 2017, from Gene F. Crouch Senior Wetland Scientist, VHB – regarding Glendale Road
- August 24, 2017, from Rosemary Arnold, Winding River Land Trust – regarding Red Brook CR
- August 24, 2017, from Mark Stinson (DEP) – regarding Southampton - DEP File Number - Glendale Road, 289-0212
- August 25, 2017, from Mark Reed, Heritage Surveys, Inc. – regarding Garstka-97 Gilbert Rd., Parcel 3-2 - Request for Certificate of Compliance
- August 25, 2017, from PVPC – regarding 2017 Municipal Conference, Monday, September 18th from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM.
- August 25, 2017, from Ann Godin – regarding Memorial on Meadow Lane
- August 25, 2017, from Charlie Kaniecki, Select Board – regarding Southampton Glendale Rd project
- August 27, 2017, from Southampton By-Law Review Advisory Committee – regarding Draft of Proposed changes to By-laws

**Hard Copy**

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- From Holmberg & Howe, postmarked August 21, 2017 - invoice and 2 copies of Sketch of Field Findings in Southampton, Massachusetts prepared for Szczypta Farm Conservation Area
- Decision from ZBA, July 24, 2017 – Special Permit to CG Southampton Energy Development, LLC to design, construct, own, and operate an approximately 2 megawatt (MW) ground mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) facility located at 41 Valley Road.
- From Planning Board, copy of ANR signed 8/16/17, Plan of Land in Southampton Massachusetts surveyed for James R. Lumbra, College Highway

**Records Requests**

None.

7:07 **Schedule site visits**

97 Gilbert Rd, 8-30-17, 5pm

7:07 **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Barcomb, seconded by Mr. Baker. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) YES votes.

**Tentative Future Meetings:** September 25, October 23 2017