



**CITY OF GARDNER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Gardner City Hall – Manca Annex
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MEETING

Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Due to the ongoing conditions related to the COVID 19 outbreak, the meeting will be held via Zoom Meeting. Detailed instructions for participating in the meeting via Zoom Meeting are posted at the bottom of this agenda, or can be obtained by emailing Lyndsy Butler, Conservation Agent, at lbutler@gardner-ma.gov. All documents and permit applications can be provided electronically. Please send request to lbutler@gardner-ma.gov. All persons interested in this matter, or who desire to offer testimony, are invited to participate.

Members via Zoom:

Acting-Chairman David Orwig, Michael Hermanson, Norman Beauregard, and Donna Lehtinen. Also on Zoom was Conservation Agent Lyndsy Butler, and Administrative Clerk Kris Singer

Members Absent:

Duncan Burns, Greg Dumas

Guests & Visitors:

Matt Marro

MEETING – brought to Order by Acting-Chairman D. Orwig at 6:30 pm

Minutes

Vote to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of February 22, 2021

- Motion to approve Minutes made by N. Beauregard, seconded by D. Beauregard, and voted all in favor, with the exception of D. Beauregard who abstained.

Request for Determination of Applicability

2021-01 Bridge St. West St.

The Gardner Conservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance (City Code Ch. 650) on the Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Millers River Watershed Council & Alan Rousseau. The request is to determine whether portions of lots H32-164 and C32-19-2 are subject to the City of Gardner Wetland Protection Ordinance.

- Matt Marro, representing Alan Rousseau, summarized that the location of certified vernal pools at the site were unclear. Since the January 22, 2021 meeting, he has submitted verification documentation of the vernal pools and their locations. He also noted that the Natural Heritage map almost matched the GIS maps; they were off approximately 75 feet.
- D. Orwig confirmed that the Commission can still protect vernal pools whether or not they are certified.
- A Motion for a Positive 6 Determination was made by M. Hermanson, seconded by D. Lehtinen, and voted all in favor.

New Business

- No new business

Upcoming Meetings

March 22

April 12

April 26

Motion to Adjourn

6:41 pm A motion to adjourn was made by M. Hermanson. The motion was seconded by N. Beauregard, and voted unanimously, all in favor.

NOTICE: These Agenda items consist of items that are reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting and are specifically allowed to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Agent of the Conservation Commission

Lyndsy Butler is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Conservation Commission

Time: Mar 8, 2021 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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