



**CITY OF GARDNER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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MEETING

Monday, March 22, 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 Beaugard, and Donna Lehtinen. Also on Zoom was Conservation Agent Lyndsy Butler, and Administrative Clerk Kris Singer

Members Absent:

Duncan Burns, Greg Dumas, and D. Beaugard

Guests & Visitors:

None

MEETING – brought to Order by Acting-Chairman D. Orwig at 6:31 pm

Minutes

Vote to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of March 8, 2021

- Motion to approve Minutes made by N. Beaugard, seconded by M. Hermanson, and voted all in favor.

New Business

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Extension Request DEP#160-0282- Kendall Pond- Solitude Lake Management

- L. Butler advised that this extension request is for 3 years, and it's to continue the treatment of the weeds in the pond. She says that everything is compliant.
- D. Lehtinen does not approve of this treatment to kill the weeds. She noted that there are no weeds present, so why introduce a treatment. L. Butler agrees that there are no weeds due to the weed killer. She believes that it is a positive thing and is preventative maintenance.
- M. Hermanson says that the lake association is in favor of the treatment. He says that they say it improves the quality of the lake and living on Kendall Pond.
- A Motion to approve the extension request for 3 years was made by N. Beauregard, seconded by M. Hermanson. D. Orwig voted in favor, and D. Lehtinen voted in opposition. The motion passed.

Request for Certificate of Compliance for DEP#160-0477, 514-516 Parker Street

- L. Butler went out to the address last week. She explained that the house was built in 2010. The owners need to clear title as they are selling the property. She recommends granting the Certificate of Compliance.
- A Motion to approve the Certificate of Compliance was made by M. Hermanson, seconded by N. Beauregard, and voted all in favor.

Virtual MACC

- D. Orwig advised that this virtual conference is spread over 7 days. It begins on April 7th and he encourages everyone to check out the schedule.

Hospital Expansion

- D. Lehtinen asked if there is an update on the proposed expansion work at the hospital.
- L. Butler advised that it's in the 'pre-permitting process.' She also noted that all work is outside of the purview of the Commission.

New Development off Clark St

- N. Beauregard inquired as to the status on the new development being proposed off of Clark St. It appears that there are only rumors at this point, and no definitive update.

Dyer St.

- N. Beauregard has been notified by Mark Lewis of 187 Dyer St. that there are drainage issues from the parking lot of Olde English Village.
- L. Butler explained that due to paving in the driveway at Olde English Village, the ground is not draining properly. It will be re-paved, and that is expected to begin on April 23rd. She further explained that last fall she instructed for new wattles to be put up, and when they failed, hay bales were put in place.
- D. Orwig noted that the Commission will need to "stay on them" as this drainage is serious.

Upcoming Meetings

April 12

April 26

Motion to Adjourn

6:45 pm A motion to adjourn was made by N. Beauregard. The motion was seconded by D. Lehtinen, and voted unanimously, all in favor.

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Agent of the Conservation Commission

Lyndsy Butler is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Conservation Commission

Time: Mar 22, 2021 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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