

**CITY OF GARDNER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Gardner City Hall – Manca Annex
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MEETING

Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Virtual meeting, no in-person attendance

Under the Governor’s current bill regarding open meetings and Covid 19, this meeting will be held via Zoom. Detailed instructions for participating in the meeting via Zoom are posted at the bottom of this agenda, or can be obtained by emailing Katie Guertin, Conservation Agent, at kguertin@gardner-ma.gov. All documents and permit applications can be provided electronically. Please send request to kguertin@gardner-ma.gov. All persons interested in this matter, or who desire to offer testimony, are invited to participate.

Members Present:

Chairman Greg Dumas, Michael Hermanson, Norman Beauregard, David Orwig, David Beauregard, and Donna Lehtinen. Also present were Conservation Agent Katie Guertin and Administrative Clerk Kris Singer.

Members Absent:

Duncan Burns

Guests & Visitors:

None

MEETING – brought to Order Chairman G. Dumas at 6:30 pm

Minutes

Vote to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of March 28, 2022

- Motion to approve Minutes “As Printed” made by N. Beauregard, seconded by D. Orwig, and voted all in favor with D. Beauregard abstaining.

Request for Determination for Applicability -continuance request

The Gardner Conservation Commission will hold a joint Public Meeting under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance on the **Request for Determination of Applicability** filed by **Robert LaPierre**. for work to be conducted at 122 & 128 Wampanoag South Road, Gardner, MA 01440 (W42-3-9 & W42-4-10). Proposed work consists of the removal of several potentially hazardous trees within 100 feet of a bordering vegetated wetland.

Continued from 1/24/22, 2/14/22, 2/28/22, 3/14/22,3/28/22

- K. Guertin advised that the applicant hasn't been able to get a wetland scientist out to the site yet. Also, the ground is still partially frozen. She suggests continuing this case until June.
- A Motion to continue the case to June 13, 2022, was made by M. Hermanson, seconded by D. Orwig, and voted all in favor.

New Business

- K. Guertin states that the Open Space Plan Update is coming together. She also advised that there are no new applications at this point, and just the Riverside continuance for the next meeting.
- D. Orwig inquired about 80 Minott St. There is a DEP file number, but no comments.
- D. Lehtinen inquired about the construction at the hospital. N. Beaugard confirming that there is a lot of blasting and drilling being done. G. Dumas does not believe that this location is in the Commission's jurisdiction. D. Lehtinen agrees that it's not in their jurisdiction, but Commission should keep track of what is going on there due to it's proximity to Crystal Lake. N. Beaugard also mentioned that there is draining over the bike trail, which he didn't believe occurred in the past. K. Guertin will go out to the site.
- K. Guertin advises that the site visit for the new Elementary School is at 9:30 am on April 30th. This is the time that Fuss & O'Neill can do the site visit. They have also confirmed that the site is all cleaned up from the refuse on site shown during the last meeting. It was also noted that Fuss & O'Neill do not have keys to the site. G. Dumas notes that the Commission should have keys and access to the site at all times.

Upcoming Meetings

April 25

6:37 pm A motion to adjourn was made by N. Beaugard. The motion was seconded by D. Lehtinen, 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.

Katie Guertin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Gardner Conservation Commission

Time: Apr 11, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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