

**CITY OF GARDNER  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Gardner City Hall- Manca Annex  
115 Pleasant St Room 202  
Gardner MA 01440

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**MEETING**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2023, AT 6: 30PM  
IN-PERSON AT THE CITY HALL ANNEX  
SECOND FLOOR MEETING ROOM 203**

PRESENT MEMBERS

Chairman Dumas  
Duncan Burns  
Norman Beauregard  
Dave Beauregard  
Agent Sophie Dorow

ABSENT MEMBERS

DAVID ORWIG- (Video conference the meeting)

GUESTS

STEVEN ROCKWOOD  
ANTHONY & KATHLEEN FIORENTINO  
MARYANN DI PITO  
AMY "LILLY" HOPE

Greg Dumas Let's keep the crosstalk to a minimum. That way the audio of the camera is understandable.

MINUTES

Vote to approve the meeting minutes of July 10, 2023. Duncan, you cannot vote on this one. Chairman Dumas someone make a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 10. Norman Beauregard was so moved. Dave Beauregard Seconded it. Chairman Dumas is all in favor, aye. Present members, aye. Approved.

Vote to approve the meeting minutes of July 24, 2023. Norman Beauregard and David Beauregard cannot vote. Chairman Dumas someone make a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 24. Duncan Burns, I'll make that motion. David Orwig seconded it. Chairman Dumas is all in favor say aye. Present members, aye. Minutes approved.

NOTICE OF INTENT

The Gardner Conservation Commission will hold a joint Public Hearing under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands. Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance on a Notice of Intent

filed by Kathleen Fiorentino, represented by Maryann Di Pinto. Work on Parcel ID # (H32-19-16A) 623 West Street. The project entails the construction of a new home, septic system, and driveway into the existing hillside off West Street. The proposed Project is within the riverfront area and Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

Maryann Di Pinto proposed to build a house on the existing hillside. There is a little shed over there right now. The septic is outside of the riverfront area. The driveway comes into the road outside the riverfront area, and a little bit of it through the garage under is within the riverfront. The propose is to restore the cart path. The property is about ten acres of land. The applicant has removed some metal debris that was already within the riverfront area as part of the mitigation for the proposed project. Some of the debris was removed such as gas tanks that were filled with sand. Chairman Dumas and Duncan Burn state that the removal or any type of disturbance within the riverfront buffer zone without obtaining a permit from the conservation commission is a violation of the Wetlands Protection Act. An acre or two is opened the rest is a wooded area. Chairman Dumas states that no work shall be allowed within the 60ft no build and no disturb buffer zones. Dave B and Duncan B suggest the applicant alter the plan to comply with the wetland buffer zones. Chairman Dumas, you can choose any area away from the 200' Wetlands. Chairman Dumas, come back with a couple of options.

Someone like to make a motion to continue. Duncan Burns, I'll make a motion to continue this to our next meeting on August 28, 2023. Norman Beauregard ill seconded it. Chairman Dumas, Ill in favor, aye. Present members and Dave Orwig via video said aye.

#### ENFORCEMENT ORDER

None.

#### REQUEST FOR AMENDED ORDER OF CONDITIONS

None

#### REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

None

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

None.

#### UPCOMING MEETING

August 28<sup>th</sup>

Chairman Dumas I would like to make a motion to end tonight's hearing. Duncan Burns so moved. Norman Beauregard seconded it. Chairman Dumas, all in favor, aye. Present members and David Orwig said aye. Meeting adjourns. 7:30 PM.