



THE TOWN of MERRIMAC  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
4 School St., Merrimac  
MASSACHUSETTS 01860

## Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Members present: Robert Prokop (chair), Jon Pearson (vice chair), Arthur Yarranton, Jerome Mathieu, William Andrulitis and Gregory MacLean.  
Conservation Agent Jay Smith was present.

Meeting called to order at 6:53pm.

**Public Hearing --- Notice of Intent --- Canaday-Norton Family Revocable Trust, 42 River Rd. ---** For the construction of garage, addition and driveway within the buffer zone to bank and the Merrimack River resource area.

Canaday and Norton were in attendance. The site visit and submittal were reviewed. The Commission discussed conditions which included the submittal of a planting plan for the area to the east of the stream within the 25ft. no-disturb zone, after planting allowed to grow in naturally, removal of the asphalt detail on the plan, a two-year check on the plants and offset wetland markers. The Commission agreed to allow 4 trees to be cut keeping the stumps in place. J. Pearson made a motion to issue an OC with the Standard Special Conditions and those mentioned above and the Standard Conditions. W. Andrulitis seconded the motion with a unanimous vote of approval. (6-0)

**Public Hearing --- Victor and Carol Mancini, 17 Bisson Lane ---** For the razing and rebuilding of a single-family home, retaining wall repair and a dock within the buffer zone to the bank of Lake Attitash.

R. Prokop recuses himself and J. Pearson assumes the chair. Victor Mancini was in attendance and the project was explained by B. Prokop acting as his representative. No DEP number yet issued. A proposed seasonal dock was also reviewed. J. Pearson's suggestions were reviewed. The Commission made the following additional recommendations: a plan for replanting perennials, details for stairs, details for the retaining wall, deck support detail, patios to be removed and crushed stone detail and house supports and height among others. Meeting continued until the next scheduled meeting with approval from the applicant to allow for further changes to the plan.

**Discussion:** Lake Attitash Assoc. --- Watershed issues.

B. Prokop resumes as Chair. Cindy Roberts and Victoria Wolfe were in attendance from the Lake Attitash Association. A power point presentation describing watershed pollution from phosphates and nitrogen generated by lawn fertilizing activity was presented. Following the presentation, they asked if the Commission could help them with Orders of Conditions and other means to make the public aware of the problem and to add some enforcement. The Commission will take the suggestions under advisement.

**Discussion:** 8 Quail Ridge --- PCOC Request.

Request for a PCOC was granted considering the OC was for the roadway and no resource area issues were located on the property. Vote was unanimous to approve. (6-0)

**Discussion:** Open Space document review. J. Pearson had provided comments on the draft Use and Oversight of Town Owned Open Space document and the Project Application for Town Property. The comments have been forwarded to the Open Space Committee for consideration.

**Discussion:** Richmond Allen, 67 West Shore Rd. --- Plan change request.

Mr. Allen presented a revised plan including stairs not previously approved for his deck and hot tub. The revisions were approved. (6-0) J. Pearson added that if Mr. Allen wanted to rebuild his stairs he would need to file again with the Commission.

**Discussion:** minutes.

The revised minutes for April 27, 2021 were approved by the Commission unanimously. (6-0) Minutes for May were deferred until the next meeting.

**The next C.C meeting is July 27, 2021, 6:45pm., at the Public Library hopefully.**