

**MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
TOWN OF CHARLEMONT
PUBLIC MEETING**

July 2, 2014

Members Present

Neal Lear,
William Harker
Amy Chattin
Tim Eichholz

Members Absent

Douglas Forbes,
Ruth Cannavo

Others Present

Gisela Walker
Paul J. Kendrick
Erwin Reynolds
Robin Pease
Eric Dean
Michael Buoniconti
Ivy Palmer
Ray Willis
Luke Stinson
Mark Stinson

The meeting was called to order at 7:22 PM

Gisela Walker presented a plan to amend her order of conditions for work on a septic system to include a perc-right drip dispersal system in the buffer zone downhill from her house. This system would be less disruptive to the buffer zone, would sit one foot below the surface, and would be monitored yearly.

A plan was submitted by Shawn Kimberly Engineering.

Mark Stinson, DEP questioned the erosion control boundary on the plan, and stated that there is a policy for amending an order of conditions.

Tim Eichholz made a motion not to require a new or amended order of conditions. This was seconded by Neal Lear, and passed unanimously.

Neal Lear requested that the meeting be opened to discuss work at Hawlemont School.

William Harker said that the Parks & Recreation Department, though not in attendance, was aware of the plan.

Robin Pease described construction projects including a 26' x 36' barn and a 22' x 40' greenhouse. This work is to be located in floodplain zone A, 155' from Mill Brook and a greater distance from Rice Brook.

A building plan that meets FEMA requirements was submitted by Vreeland Design Associates on behalf of Hawlemont School.

Ray Willis brought up damage done to the banks of Rice Brook by Tropical Storm Irene.

Ivy Palmer, School Committee brought the discussion back to the Hawlemont Plan. The school district will provide insurance.

Neal Lear read the performance standards for work done in floodplains, and reviewed the River Protection Act performance standards.

Mark Stinson provided input on redevelopment projects [10.58(5)], which was reviewed by the Commission.

William Harker requested that an on-site baseline elevation mark be established.

Tim Eichholz made a motion to approve the plan as presented. Amy Chattin seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Mail was reviewed.

Business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

D.J. Forbes