

Charlemont Conservation Commission Minutes
Charlemont Town Hall
September 4, 2019

Present: Bill Harker, Robert Lingle, Steve Ferguson, Tom Cashin, Justin Maynard
Guests: Erin Rogers from Trout Unlimited (TU), Dohn Sherman, Gordon Hathaway, Doug Telling, Sarah Reynolds

Bill Harker called the hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. and read the hearing notice.

1. Regarding work on Hawk Hill Road: Bill Harker said the engineer contacted him and said he was behind schedule and doesn't have the plan ready. Bill Harker informed the board of the situation and it was unanimously decided that the ConCom will approve an extension.
2. TU rep Erin Rogers summarized the plans and provided examples of rock vanes outlining what they want to do for the streambed restoration utilizing existing stream materials. DEP identified that there may be endangered species in this habitat and that these must be further addressed and surveyed before work can commence. TU will contact the natural heritage and endangered species program to remain in compliance with federal and state statutes before proceeding and abide by the DEP's request to monitor and document any endangered species. Erin has filed an NOI and Mark Stinson, DEP gave a temporary file # with this understanding. An order of conditions was identified with the above remarks. A form 5 through eDEP will be filed by ConCom. ConCom has requested the ability to visit the site for review and Erin acknowledged this was acceptable.
3. Gordon Hathaway/Town of Charlemont NOI discussed. Information was presented to the ConCom regarding the realignment of the turn in the North Heath Road. Sarah Reynolds informed the board that the town owns the primary parcel where the road will be changed/improved and that this project will enhance the roadway making it safer for vehicular traffic in inclement weather. ConCom requested information regarding the vegetation management plan and soil erosion control measures to be taken. Gordon stated that he intends to plant native trees on a 1:1 ratio for any trees that are removed during the roads construction, that bare soil will be reseeded with grass and that straw wattles will be ran along the entire project length to capture any runoff sediment that may erode during the entire course of construction. ConCom has requested the ability to view the site and Gordon has approved of this.

Bill Harker motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:00pm. Rob Lingle second this motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Maynard

Documents viewed in the meeting of 9/4/2019*

1. Agenda for meeting of 9/4/2019
2. DuPree Route 180 8A North Enforcement Order and file

*Documents are stored in their respective files