

Charlemont Conservation Commission Minutes

November 1, 2021

Charlemont Town Hall

Members Present: Bill Harker, Justin Maynard, Thorne Palmer

Guests: Mark Stinson, Virginia Stinson, Carlene Hayden

Meeting Opened: 6:05 p.m.

Reviewed Minutes: ConCom approves the minutes from October 5, 2021

Schaefer way violation. Todd Gerry wants to sell his land. ConCom sent the owner a letter requiring that he have the wetlands delineated and the area of fill investigated and documented by a Professional Wetland Scientist, and provide a report to the Conservation Commission. Todd Gerry sent an email stating that he has complied with the ConCom's request. Bill Harker states that he has not complied and based on what he witnessed upon a site visit, that Gerry has not removed any of the fill or debris.

After discussion, the Commission recognizes that the individual did not comply with the enforcement order but does note that the site is stabilized, has established vegetation and is best not disturbed. ConCom will draft a letter stating that the requirements will be lifted, but noting the wetlands violation and that the current owner is required to notify potential buyers of the issue of the debris. Bill motions to accept this, Thorne seconds, all in favor.

Berkshire East RDA will be scheduled for the Dec 7th meeting.

Tom Ranalli left a message that the Conservation Commission needs to sign off on wetland delineation boundaries on a piece of property that he is considering purchasing. ConCom states that they don't do this, the individual needs to contact a wetlands specialist. Secretary Carlene will notify him of this.

(Note: it was later clarified that the property Ranalli is considering buying is the Schaefer Way property, and that he was told part of the contract to purchase was that he was to mark out the wetlands. Ranalli was referred to Bill Harker and was made fully aware of the status of the property).

6:31 p.m. Justin motions to adjourn the meeting. Thorne seconds this. Meeting adjourned.