

Ashfield Conservation Commission
March 22, 2017

Members Present:

Lester Garvin, Chair (LG)
Anne Capra (AC)
Brian Clark (BC)
Phil Lussier (PL)

Members Absent:

Janet Clark

Others Present:

Mary Quigley

1. LG called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.
2. Reviewed the minutes of 3/8/17. BC moved to accept the minutes, AC seconded; unanimous approval.
3. 1301 Conway Road, RDA Mary Quigley builder – Issued a Negative Determination of Applicability, minor project in Riverfront Area and exempt activity. Commissioners signed the permit, and PL made copies.
4. PL drove by John Pylant’s property on Pfersick Road to see if there was any tree removal underway. A crane was on site on the lawn removing the trees that had fallen on the house. Not sure if the crane was used to remove down trees along the river.
5. Online Building Permits – BC no new notifications received.
6. PL received a call from Bill Perlman regarding purchase of Gibby Roberts house on Bug Hill Road. An old oil tank had been removed from the property and the realtor for the seller was seeing if there was a paper trail for that work. PL said he would check with the Conservation Commission but that typically wasn’t our purview. LG and AC said that if it had been done related to a hazardous material issue, reports would have been field under MGL chapter 21E to the DEP. Perhaps the building inspector or the Board of Health would have information locally about a tank removal.
7. AC needs an Order of Compliance for the NOI issued for the new home construction at 68 Plainfield Road. AC recused herself from the discussion. PL stated that a site visit needs to be conducted after the snow melts.
8. AC suggested we advertise for new Commission members in the Ashfield News. LG has given his notice to resign from the Commission. AC acknowledged PL’s suggestion that we have term limits on being a chair and rotate the position, and recognized that we are all quite busy and some new members would be good for the Commission. PL suggests we approach the Town Clerk about “associate” members.
9. Chris Rawling, The Lake House restaurant on Buckland Road, requested assistance in preparation of an NOI to repair the foundation on the Lake House. Commission waited until 8:15 for him to arrive. PL pulled the NOI from the deck repair at the Lake House in 2015 as an example that Chris can use for filling out his NOI and will get it to him.
10. BC moved to adjourn, AC seconded; unanimous. 8:25PM