

Conway Conservation Commission Minutes
July 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall, General Purpose Room, 5 Academy Hill Road

Present for the Conservation Commission: Grace Larson, Acting Chair; Louise Beckett, Mary Kay Costello, Brittany Nickerson, Tony Somers

Others Present: Mark Stinson, DEP Circuit Rider; Gerry LeBlanc, Jiyanna Vagedes

At 6:00 p.m. Grace convened the meeting.

Grace moved to hold off approval of the minutes of June 25, 2024, as the amended version had not been seen by all. Tony seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Financial

- Invoice MACC Dues \$215.00 for Fiscal Year July 2024-June 2025
- On a motion from Grace to authorize payment for MACC Dues, Tony seconded, all said aye and the vote was

Building Permits/Site Visits/Inquiries

- *Building Permit – 214 Thompson Rd – Garage Construction – signed off*
- *Inquiry & Site Visit – 1195 So. Deerfield Rd – Erosion issue on driveway*

Grace visited and found significant erosion as the Mill River cuts under the road. It's in a floodplain, and septic is in the front yard and becomes flooded when rain is heavy. The Con Com does not get involved unless she files either an RDA or an NOI. It was suggested that she ask her contractor to give her an estimate to rebuild the embankment at the end of the driveway, and/or separately to create a berm along the edge of the lawn to protect her septic system from another flooding situation.

Forest Cutting Plans

None

Updates

- UCC Church - no issues with the trees that need to be cut down as this issue is not within ConCom's purview.

Hearings

- No Hearings Scheduled

Other Business

- Discussion – Nexamp/abutter update

Gerry said that they didn't have the complete picture on the map that Grace sent from the last hearing they attended. It seems to exclude where the erosion abuts their property. (Lowest left quadrant). Tony reminded the abutters that there's nothing under ConComm's authority to request Nexamp to do anything in this matter. If Gerry wants to send an updated drawing regarding the erosion issues to Nexamp, he most certainly can do so, but Nexamp has no responsibility to make any changes. It will be important to know where Gerry and Jiyana are seeing erosion in relation to where Nexamp is proposing to install the berms. Grace will send Gerry the other pages of the map that they didn't have at the meeting they attended a few weeks ago, and thus couldn't mark up the areas they are concerned about.

At 6:50 p.m. on a motion from Grace to adjourn, Brittany seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 23, 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, General Purpose Room.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend.