

Egremont Conservation Commission Minutes, meeting of 12/5/2017		
CALL TO ORDER: 7 pm		
	Commissioners Present	Bill Tynan (Chair), David Seligman, Alina Hsu
	Guests	Steve Mack (Foresight)
CITIZEN INQUIRIES		
1	Vermeulen	Via email, a lawyer requests copy of CoC for 1997 NOI, file number 0153-106. We found the CoC, and Bill will get a copy to the requester.
PROJECTS (NEW AND ONGOING)		
2	Cohen 71 Main St RDA	Applicant requested a copy of conditions. Bill did this.
3	Helen Branch 16 Shun Toll Rd RDA 11/3/16	Nellie Wilson of Butternut Tree and Land Care requested a site visit at completion of work, and wanted to know if it is ok to remove wattles. Bill conducted the site visit, and reported that everything looked great. We voted unanimously to approve removing the wattles and closing the file.
4	196 Egremont Plain Rd Solar panel installation	Bill asked Mark Stinson about the proposed work. Their original proposal placed the array about 100' from the river. Per DEP, they will have to reposition the array to be no closer than 200', and the bottom of the array must be above the BFE. (Base Flood Elevation is generally calculated by an engineer.)
5	Shemshack 13 Nicholson Rd File Nos 153-0197 and 153-0204	Steve asked if we have any other concerns re these two files. We don't, so he will write to us asking for CoCs on these two projects. Steve also asked us if we have copies of the enforcement orders issued to Shemshack and Catamount. Since these enforcement orders were independent of any project work, there are no file numbers for us to reference, and we could not find them. Perhaps Dave Johnson would know where we can find copies. Steve Mack will contact him directly.
PUBLIC HEARING(S)		
6	Ryan 35 Prospect Lake Rd. RDA	Hearing continued to 12/21 at 7:30.
7	Bugsch 10 Sheffield Rd RDA	Hearing continued to 12/21 at 7:30.
PROJECTS - continued		
8	Pinecrest Forest Cutting Plan	Lead: Alina. DCR sort of supersedes us, but they will generally defer to us re WPA issues. Our concern with this FCP is stated intention to cut in spring rather than winter, AND location of stream crossing - very near NHESP identified endangered species. Alina to follow up with Scott Shove (forester) and DCR.
9	H2 Holdings White's Hill Road Forest Cutting Plan	Alina is recused (abutter). Bill is lead. We are missing the FCP Map, which will show stream crossings and other detail important to us. Bill to follow up.
10	Cather 64 Prospect Lake Road File No 153-0198	At site visit, we noticed some leakage under the silt fence. Silt fence to be repaired, and another site visit scheduled.
11	National Grid 92 Boice Rd RDA	Schedule from 11/3 email has changed again, and they have just installed erosion controls. David did a site visit. Stakes in wattles are required every 3 feet. They have done 6 feet or even further apart. David to follow up.
CORRESPONDENCE		

8	Town Newsletter Deadline	Bill to write article re flooding, wetlands. Alina to send Bill link to Pro Publica series on Houston.
9	Town holiday party	
ADMINISTRATIVE		
10	Budget	Budget and budget narrative final review
12	Town holiday gifts for children	Bill will get books from Bookloft.
13	Door decoration contest	
14	Outlook	Alina to remove Harvey from ECC emails.
MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING		
13	Approval	Minutes of 11/2 meeting were unanimously approved.
ADJOURNMENT		
14		Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:12 pm.
15		Next meeting: December 21, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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