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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Tuesday, October 13, 2015

**7:00 p.m. Greenfield Department of Planning and Development
114 Main Street**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, John Blasiak at 7:00 p.m. with the following members:

PRESENT: John Blasiak, Chair
Timothy Mosher
Matthias Nevins
Gail Miller

ALSO PRESENT: Maureen Pollock, Assistant Planner & Conservation Agent

ABSENT: Thomas DeHoyos

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 8, 2015.

MOTION: Moved by Nevins, seconded by Miller, no further discussion and voted 3-0-1 (Mosher abstained) to accept the minutes from September 8, 2015.

Public Meetings/Hearings:

Cont. NOI - Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, 11-17 Meridian Street (DEP #168-0310): Notice of Intent submitted by Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, for property located at 11-17 Meridian Street (Assessors Map 19 Lot 47), for work pertaining to limited sediment excavation below the ordinary high water mark (elevation 126 feet) of the Green River at the former Swarf Disposal Area.

The applicant has requested the public hearing be continued until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Mosher, seconded by Miller, no further discussion and voted 4-0-0 to continue the public hearing to October 27, 2015.

Other Business:

- **Request for Certificate of Compliance: Colrain Road/Colrain Street/College Drive Intersection Improvements MassDOT Project (DEP # 168-0292)** – Pollock, Blasiak, Chris Stoddard (DPW),



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and David Virgilio (MassDOT) conducted a final site inspection on September 22, 2015. All work has been satisfactorily completed.

MOTION: Moved by Mosher, seconded by Miller, no further discussion and voted 4-0-0 to approve the Certificate of Compliance for #168-0292.

- **Antique Car Show at the Former Wedgewood Gardens:** A local group would like to hold an antique car show at the former Wedgewood Gardens property located on Colrain Street in the spring/summer 2016. The group wants to meet with the Commission in the next few months to informally discuss their plans and to see if they need to formally submit an application.
- **Town-owned Tree/Shrub Nursery:** Blasiak proposed the idea to establish a tree/shrub nursery on town property. The trees and shrubs could be used for replacing street trees and town landscaping projects. Blasiak suggested the Nims Tree Farm Land located at the corner of Nash's Mill Road and Colrain Road could be an ideal site for the nursery. Blasiak would like to reach out to the Franklin County Technical School and Greenfield Community College to see if they would be interested in partnering with the Town.
- **Street trees and landscaping planning for town properties:** Blasiak would like to have a representative from the Commission be included at its discretion in an advisory capacity to Town of Greenfield projects relating to vegetation planting and removal, storm-water and landscaping responsibilities. Nevins, Miller, and Mosher recommended that Blasiak serve as the representative.
- **GTD/Griswold Conservation Land: Kiosk, stewardship plan:** The kiosk has now been constructed. The accompanying map for the kiosk needs to be updated.
- **Green River Conservation Land – establishing a formal trail system:** The Commission would like to establish a formal trail system at this property and on abutting conservation properties. The Commission will conduct a site visit to determine which trail segments should be maintained and which should be re-routed.
- **2015 Massachusetts Trails Conference, November 14th:** The day long conference will include workshop sessions related to the creation, management and promotion of sustainable trails. All members are encouraged to attend.

Project Monitoring:

- **Redevelopment of Leyden Woods (DEP #168-0274):** A pre-construction meeting was held on September 30th to discuss Phase I and II. Phase I will start in fall 2015 and Phase II is expected to start in spring 2016. A follow-up site visit is needed in order to inspect the erosion and



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sedimentation barriers. Also, the applicant needs to submit more information regarding the construction of a chain link fence along an intermittent stream.

- **Phase I: Tire Removal Project, off of Colorado Avenue:** As part of the CRWC's Source to Sea Clean-up, tires that were not embedded were removed from the property.

Enforcement Updates/Possible Violations:

Correspondence:

Site Visit Scheduling:

- **Green River Conservation Land:** Meet on-site at 4:00 PM on October 20, 2015

Next Meeting:

7:00 PM on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at the Greenfield Department of Planning and Development; 114 Main Street

Adjournment:

MOTION: Moved by Nevins, seconded by Miller, no further discussion and voted 4-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Pollock
Assistant Planner & Conservation Agent

John Blasiak
Chair