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**GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**Greenfield Department of Planning and Development**  
**114 Main Street, Greenfield MA 01301**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Timothy Mosher at 7:00 PM with the following members:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Timothy Mosher, Chair  
Rachel Lindsay, Vice Chair  
Erika LaForme  
John Griffin  
Doug Cloutier

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Tony Wonseski, SVE Associates, 439 W. River Road, Brattleboro VT 05302  
Paul Kelley, SWM-Argotec, 36 Laro Road, Westfield MA 01085

**Approval of Minutes: January 23, 2018**

**Motion made by Rachel Lindsay to approve the minutes from January 23, 2018 as amended**

**Motion seconded by John Griffin**

**No further discussion – 5-0-0 – Motion Carries**

**Public Hearings/Meetings:**

**Request for Determination (RDA): SWM – Adams Road and Greenfield Street Right-of-Way (Map R05)**

A Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) was submitted by Tony Wonseski of SVE Associates c/o Rich Kuklewicz of SWM for work pertaining to the installation of an underground fiber optic cable in the existing public right-of-way.

Timothy Mosher opened the meeting, and Tony Wonseski and Paul Kelley were present to describe the proposed project. Mr. Wonseski explained that the project proposes to install a fiber optic line from the primary SWM facility to four (4) other properties for the purpose of creating a local area network (LAN). The project proposes to excavate a 1-foot wide by 2-foot deep trench along Greenfield Street to house the majority of the fiber optic cable, which will be located approximately 4 feet from the preexisting right of way. The project also proposes to drill horizontally underneath Greenfield Street to allow the cable to reach the facility without disrupting the pavement.



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Mr. Wonseski proceeded to describe the resource areas on site, explaining that there is an intermittent stream that flows through two (2) 48-inch culverts under Greenfield Street and into a Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW), while there are no wetland resource areas off of Adams Road. He stated that erosion sediment controls in the form of straw wattles will be installed around the entire project site to serve as the limit of work, but that a double row of erosion sediment controls will be installed around the intermittent stream to provide heightened protection for that area; silt sacks or gravel berms will also be installed around stormwater inlets to provide protection to catch basins. Finally, he stated that there will be no wetland alteration as a result of this project as proposed, and all disturbed areas will be loamed and seeded.

Timothy Mosher inquired about the distance between the limit of work and the intermittent stream, in relation to the Commission's 25-foot No Disturb Zone (NDZ); Mr. Wonseski stated that work will occur within 11-feet of the wetland line in that area, due to the presence of other underground utilities. Timothy Mosher also asked when the project is anticipated to commence, due to the fact that the site is relatively wet, which was observed at a site visit on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 with Rachel Lindsay and Erika LaForme. Mr. Wonseski informed the Commission that the project will not commence until ground conditions are drier, but it is anticipated that the project will begin during the month of March. Finally, Rachel Lindsay inquired about an exposed drain pipe that daylighted into the intermittent stream channel, which appeared to be eroding the parking lot, and requested that it be mitigated as a result of this project.

**Motion made by John Griffin to issue a Negative Determination, Box 3, stating that the work described in the Request is within the Buffer Zone, as defined by the Regulations, but will not alter an Area subject to project under the Act. Therefore, said work does not require the filing of a Notice of Intent subject to Special Conditions**

**Motion seconded by Rachel Lindsay**

**No further discussion – 5-0-0 – Motion Carries**

**Motion made by John Griffin to issue a Negative Determination, Box 6, stating that the area and/or work is not subject to review by the Greenfield Wetlands Protection Ordinance (Ch. 195)**

**Motion seconded by Erika LaForme**

**No further discussion – 5-0-0 – Motion Carries**

**Other Business:** None

**Project Monitoring:** None

**Enforcement Updates/Possible Violations:** None

**Correspondence:**



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1. **11-17 Meridian Street:** Timothy Mosher directed the Agent to schedule a site visit to conduct an inspection.
2. **Request for Determination submission – 142 Mohawk Trail, underground fuel storage tank upgrades (Map 35-16):** The Agent informed the Commission that there will be a public meeting on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 regarding a Request for Determination submitted by Synergy Environmental, Inc. for proposed upgrades to underground fuel storage tanks at 142 Mohawk Trail. Timothy Mosher instructed the Agent to schedule a site visit prior to the meeting.

**Site Visit Schedule:** To be determined by Agent

**Set Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Greenfield Department of Planning and Development; 114 Main Street.

**Adjourn:** 8:01 PM

**Motion made by John Griffin adjourn at 8:01 PM**

**Motion seconded by Rachel Lindsay**

**No further discussion – 5-0-0 – Motion Carries**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sarah Brodeur  
Conservation Agent

Timothy Mosher  
Chair