

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of July 28, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Greenfield Police Station
321 High Street

The meeting was called to order by Chair Alex Haro at 7:00 p.m. with the following members:

PRESENT: Alex Haro, Chair; Tim Mosher, Vice-chair; Tom DeHoyos; Dee Letourneau

ABSENT: None

Also present: Ralph Kunkel, Conservation Agent; and members of the public.

Approval of Minutes: July 14, 2009

MOTION: Moved by Mosher, seconded by DeHoyos, and voted 3-0 (Haro abstained) to accept the Minutes of July 14, 2009 as amended.

Public Meetings/Hearings: None

Other Business:

Richard Rodman, 43 Country Club Road, requested permission to put up a portable car port with a gravel base. As it would be a temporary structure, Kunkel had asked him to come before the Commission informally to see if he would need to file a Request for Determination of Applicability. Rodman explained the nature of the structure and showed on an assessors map where the structure would be; Rodman also had literature to show the pins used to anchor the structure in place.

Kunkel said he had asked Mosher to go on a site visit. Mosher reported on a site visit to the area. Mosher said that it would be outside the 25 foot No Disturb Zone and reiterated that it would be a temporary structure; that the roof runoff would be into pea gravel.

Haro said he would like to see an RDA filed for the work. Letourneau agreed with Haro; emphasizing that the gravel and leveling would constitute "Work within the resource area." DeHoyos agreed that an RDA should be filed.

Mosher repeated that in his opinion it was a temporary structure.

Rodman was advised by Haro to file an RDA for the proposed structure.

Annual Reorganization:

Officers for 2009/2010

Chair – Haro

Vice-chair – Mosher

Security - Letourneau

Wedgewood Gardens:

DeHoyos reported on the use of Wedgewood Gardens as satellite parking for the Green River Festival:

- minimal impacts
- all signs were in place during the Festival.

DeHoyos said he did not see a problem for their continued use of the area in the future but recommended that the Chamber of Commerce come before the Commission each year.

Mosher asked Kunkel to call Sandy Shields of the DPW to have them remove the berm installed for snow storage.

Haro reviewed the site visit at Silver Crest.

Project Monitoring:

Enforcement Updates:

Correspondence:

Site Visits: Haro asked the members of the Commission to be diligent in attending site visits.
Green River Pumping Station: Tuesday 5:00 p.m. August 4, 2009

Set Next Meeting Date: Greenfield Police Station, August 11, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

MOTION: Moved by DeHoyos, seconded by Mosher, and voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ralph Kunkel
Conservation Agent

Alex Haro
Chair