

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of January 25, 2011
7:00 p.m. Greenfield Planning Department
114 Main Street

The meeting was called to order by Chair Alex Haro at 7:03 p.m. with the following members:

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

ABSENT: None

Also present: Ralph Kunkel, Conservation Agent and a member of the Public.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 28, 2010

MOTION: Moved by DeHoyos, seconded by Walk, and voted 4-0 (Haro abstained) to approve the Minutes of December 28, 2010 as submitted.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 11, 2011

MOTION: Moved by Letourneau, seconded by Mosher, and voted 4-0 (Walk abstained) to approve the minutes of January 11, 2011 as amended.

Public Meetings/Hearings:

7:05 Lincoln Fish – Public Hearing to review a Notice of Intent for the Griswold/GTD Conservation Area located on Lampblack Road (Assessors Map R10 Lot 16) to install two culverts. Continued from January 11, 2011.

Lincoln Fish was present. Haro reviewed the discussion from the last meeting.

Mosher reported that trailers could be purchased at reasonable prices.

A discussion followed regarding the pros and cons of flatbed trailers and a bridge of planks built on 8" I-beam spans. Fish explained that skidders had not been used in the past to move logs across the streams; rather they had made temporary bridges and used a forwarder which loaded weighed approximately 25 tons. Mosher said a flat bed trailer would only be 8 feet wide. Lincoln said a forwarder wheelbase was 10 feet wide. Walk asked why the bridges needed to be constructed as and suggested to continue using the forwarder. Fish said the bridges would include other uses, such as providing passage for the tractor used to mow the trails and the tractor of the neighbor who mows one of the fields abutting the conservation area.

Haro summed up the discussion: the consensus of the Commission was to use bridges that would use the I-beams, instead of the trailers.

Kunkel was asked to contact Larry Petrin of DPW to inquire about a bridge design using I-beams; a span that would allow a realistic weight limit; piers for bridge abutments.

MOTION: Moved by DeHoyos, seconded by Walk, and voted 5-0 to continue the public hearing for Lincoln Fish to February 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Greenfield Planning Department.

Other Business: Review of Wetlands Ordinance. The Commission reviewed the assignment of tasks.

Monitoring:

Correspondence:

Enforcement Updates:

SiteVisits:

Next Meeting: February 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Greenfield Planning Department, 114 Main Street.

Adjournment: **MOTION: Moved by Mosher, seconded by DeHoyos, and voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Ralph Kunkel
Conservation Agent

Alex Haro
Chair