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<b>BOARD:</b>	Conservation Commission
<b>TOPIC:</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	January 13, 2021
<b>MEETING PLACE:</b>	Town Hall Meeting Hall & Zoom Meeting
<b>TIME:</b>	7:00 P.M.
<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	M. Dempsey, S. Bartelt, W. Formosi, T. Grim, T. Schaefer
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>	J. Gebauer, F. O'Connor
<b>GUESTS:</b>	None

A motion made by Mike Dempsey to open up the January 13, 2020 meeting at 7:05 PM. The motion is second by Tom Schaefer. Voted 5-0.

**Old Business**

**5 Yemen Rd.**

The applicant is requesting an extension to his application for an ANRAD. They are requesting a 2 year extension. The work is being done on the closure. There is no activity on the jurisdiction area. The final wiring is completed. The project is now held up in MEP.

There is a final cap over the landfill and they are working with National Heritage at the moment. There will be filings coming to the Conservation Commission on this project. Formosi motions to extend the ANRAD for Aggregate Property located at 5 Yemen Rd. for an additional two years with the same conditions as original filing. Grim seconds the motion. Voted 5-0.

**104 King St.**

Dempsey read an email pertaining to the horse farm. Documents were requested and a reply was made from Mr. Fiore's attorney. Mr. Fiore is having wetlands flagged in the resource area and the maintenance plan will be made. Mr. Fiore has engineers that will survey the land and have the area flagged and a report will be sent to Conservation Commission. Grim motioned to postpone the discussion to February 10 meeting. Formosi seconds the motion. Voted 5-0.

## Enforcement Action Update

**4 Sewall Street**- There was an incident that took place on December 1 and December 2. Stephanie Bartelt and Mike Dempsey went to visit the area Friday, January 8. Mr. Daley took them around and some of the information they received from a town employee was incorrect. They asked Mr. Daley to contact them if something (old sediment) is pumped into the wetlands. They also spoke about the mediation plans regarding the 40 B plans. Mr. Daley said that he would have the drawings to Mike Dempsey in about a month.

A question was asked what the difference between a discussion phase was. Grim said there is a discussion phase so we could receive input on a project. It is also a courtesy on our part, so they aren't spending money unnecessarily.

Dempsey motioned to open the hearing portion of the meeting. Formosi second the motion. Voted: 5-0.

### **268 Washington St**

Grim motioned to continue this hearing to February 10, 2021. Schaefer seconds the motion. Voted: 5-0.

### **163 Seven Star Road**

Dempsey motion to reopen the hearing for 163 7 Star Rd. Grim seconds the motion. Voted: 5-0. The applicant provided green cards and advertisement of his application. Grim moved to close a public hearing and to issue a permit. Schaefer seconds the motion. Voted 5-0.

## Open Discussion

### **Department Consolidation**

Rebecca Oldham, Town Planner and Mike Dempsey would like to help run the department more efficiently. Oldham said that she will oversee the conservation agent in the day-to-day duties.

Dempsey motion to send a letter to consolidate the Conservation Commission to the Acting Finance Director. Grim seconds the motion. Voted 5-0.

### Conservation Agent open position

There are two candidates that were being interviewed for this position. One candidate was outstanding. According to what Dempsey stated, there will be a second interview for this candidate on Wednesday, January 20. Dempsey, Bartelt, Formosi and Oldham will be interviewing the candidate.

Two budget documents were sent out. The first document is the new budget for Year 21- 22. We are committing \$21,000 to cover this position. Dempsey said we will have the money for this. Our fee account at the end of this fiscal year will be \$30,000. Fees have not been raised in a few years. There is also a draft budget for Veasey Park. Dempsey is expecting that the end of this


fiscal year there will be about \$15,000 to spend. At the moment Vanessa is taking advantage of trying to arrange weddings for both indoor and outdoor at Veasey Park.

**2 CPC Projects**

- 1. Phase 2 handicap accessibility  
We are looking at a total of \$31,000 to complete the bathroom rehab. One of the bathrooms will be converted into a handicap bathroom and also new stairs will be built on the side with where there is handicap parking.
  
- 2. There's also an \$18,000 easement. Both of these were very well received.

The town clerk would like all commissioners to review the meeting laws. The bylaws can be found online. Also, all the commissioners are to review the Conflict of Interest Law and take a test and submit your completion certificate to the Town Clerk. This should be done every two years.

The next meeting will be February 10, 2021. Grim motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36pm. Schaefer seconds the motion. Voted 5-0.

Mike Dempsey   
Chair

2-10-21  
Date