

**CITY OF GARDNER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Gardner City Hall – Manca Annex
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MEETING

Monday, March 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Virtual meeting, no in-person attendance

Under the Governor’s current bill regarding open meetings and Covid 19, this meeting will be held via Zoom. Detailed instructions for participating in the meeting via Zoom are posted at the bottom of this agenda, or can be obtained by emailing Katie Guertin, Conservation Agent, at kguertin@gardner-ma.gov. All documents and permit applications can be provided electronically. Please send request to kguertin@gardner-ma.gov. All persons interested in this matter, or who desire to offer testimony, are invited to participate.

Members Present:

Chairman Greg Dumas, Michael Hermanson, Norman Beauregard, David Orwig, David Beauregard, and Donna Lehtinen. Also present was Conservation Agent Katie Guertin and Administrative Clerk Kris Singer

Members Absent:

Duncan Burns

Guests & Visitors:

None

MEETING – brought to Order Chairman G. Dumas at 6:30 pm

Minutes

Vote to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of February 28, 2022

- Motion to approve Minutes “As Printed” made by D. Beauregard, seconded by N. Beauregard, and voted all in favor with M. Hermanson abstaining, as he was late to the February 28th meeting.

Request for Determination for Applicability-request for continuance to March 28th

The Gardner Conservation Commission will hold a joint Public Meeting under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance on the **Request for Determination of Applicability** filed by **Robert LaPierre**. for work to be conducted at 122 & 128 Wampanoag South Road,

Gardner, MA 01440 (W42-3-9 & W42-4-10). Proposed work consists of the removal of several potentially hazardous trees within 100 feet of a bordering vegetated wetland.

Continued from 1/24/22, 2/14/22, 2/28/22

- K. Guertin advised that the applicant is still awaiting news from the State.
- A Motion to continue the case to March 28th was made by N. Beaugard, seconded by D. Orwig, and voted all in favor.

New Business

Accounts

- K. Guertin is working on the Bailey Brook Park Grant. There has been a filing fee for recording a document (\$115), but the grant money won't be in the account until June. Can she pay for that fee out of the Brooks Pharmacy account, as that money needs to be spent?
- G. Dumas questioned why the Commission has to pay for the fee since the City Solicitor is paid by the City.
- K. Guertin noted that an NDA was completed for the 1st Phase of the Bailey Brook project, so it does fall under the Commission. The grant money will be available to the City in the next Fiscal Year.
- D. Orwig pointed out that K. Guertin is in an awkward spot, but he is for the project as a whole.
- M. Hermanson voiced concern about the potential for more fees or recordings. K. Guertin advised that nothing more will need to be recorded before June 1st, when the grant money becomes available.
- A Motion to approve the \$115 to be taken out of the Brooks Pharmacy account was made by D. Orwig, seconded by D. Beaugard, and voted all in favor.

Heywood Hospital

- N. Beaugard noted that a Gardner citizen approached him about earth being moved from the construction site at the hospital. He advised that the Trevor Beaugard, the City Planning Director, is not aware of who is moving of the soil. He also mentioned that they have made a mess of the road on site.
- G. Dumas noted that a construction site should have at least a gravel exit for construction vehicles.

Upcoming Meetings

March 14

- 6:40 pm** A motion to adjourn was made by N. Beaugard. The motion was seconded by D. Lehtinen, and voted unanimously, all in favor.

NOTICE: These Agenda items consist of items that are reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting and are specifically allowed to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Katie Guertin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Conservation Commission

Time: Mar 14, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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