



TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes January 27, 2016

Gerry Ouillette, Justin Arbuckle, Bill Dausey, Joy Anderson and Cindy Campbell were present. Rich Chiras was absent. Barbara Kinney, Administrative Assistant was also present.

Mr. Dausey opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

Citizen's Forum

Brian & Deb Castell of 15 Leland Road are an abutter to the deforestation on Church St and Providence Road. They had questions for the Conservation Commission (NCC) regarding oversight. Mr. Arbuckle explained that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) oversees the forest cutting plans since that is the way the property owners filed for the permits. Since it was filed as a forest cutting plan, it is exempt from the Wetlands Protection Act, so the NCC is not the permitting authority.

(01-RDA-2016) Whitinsville Golf Club, 179 Fletcher Street (Map 4, Parcel 22)

Proposed cutting and stump grinding of 38 trees in the playing area of the 4th hole by a certified arborist. The applicant is Michael Hughes of the Whitinsville Golf Club (WGC), 179 Fletcher Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588.

Mike Hughes was present. The NCC reviewed the pictures and narrative submitted with the Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA). Mr. Ouillette attended the site visit and explained what he saw.

Motion made by Mr. Ouillette and seconded by Mr. Arbuckle. The NCC voted 5-0 to issue a negative determination.

Old / New Business

97 Jon Circle – Discussion

The NCC discussed the owner's reply. The NCC will have Rich Chiras return to the site to take new photos and view the staking of boundaries and fence. Mr. Ouillette stated he will try to get some information too. The NCC will then decide how to proceed.

(248-523) National Grid – Request for Certificate of Compliance (COC)

Tracy Duarte of Coneco Engineering was present representing National Grid. The NCC reviewed the plans, photos, etc. The NCC will not do a site visit for the COC because the photos are sufficient, the project has been completed for some time and they cannot just go walking the site due to safety concerns.

Motion made by Mr. Arbuckle and seconded by Mr. Ouillette. The NCC voted 5-0 to issue the COC for the Distribution Line Project for the OOC dated July 12, 2006.

Enforcement Actions

None

Minutes

None

Executive Session

None

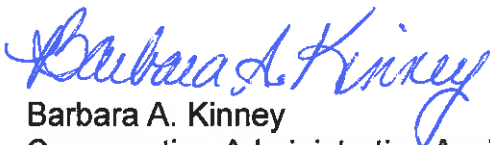
Other

The NCC members present performed administrative tasks (signed Orders, etc.) that were needed.

Motion made by Mr. Arbuckle and seconded by Mr. Ouillette. The NCC voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting on or about 7:34PM.

Respectfully submitted,

DATE APPROVED:



Barbara A. Kinney
Conservation Administrative Assistant



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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS USED AT MEETING