

TOWN OF HEBRON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
AUGUST 13, 2009  
REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING MEETING ROOM

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**Members Present:** J. Mullaney T. Loto, T. Gauthier, L. Maynard, R. Warner  
**Members Absent:** T. Nofer  
**Staff Present:** J. Soderberg, Wetlands Agent

J. Mullaney called the regular meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

***Approval of Minutes-***

***Regular Meeting- July 9, 2009:***

The following changes were noted: page 2, second paragraph, add "based on the town engineer's estimates" to the end of this paragraph; and page 2, tenth paragraph, note that to J. Soderberg's knowledge, no one has been hurt on these roads. R. Warner made a motion to approve these minutes as amended. T. Gauthier seconded it. The motion passed with J. Mullaney abstaining.

***Recognition of Guests:*** None.

***New Applications:*** None.

***Pending Applications:*** None.

***Wetland Agent Approvals:***

**Petition #09-07**, Jeffrey and Joanne Holm, 12 Griswold Lane- Installation of an In ground Pool:

J. Soderberg reported that he has approved this petition. He has been out to the site and consulted with Vernon Pool and there is really no other place for them to install a pool. A very small portion of it will be in the regulated area.

J. Soderberg noted that they are going to have to install a wall at the south end of the pool because there is a slope down towards the tree line.

The Commission had no problem with J. Soderberg approving this application.

**Petition #09-08**, John Bozzi and Catharine Arnold, 165 Deepwood Drive- Installation of a Deck in a Regulated Area:

J. Soderberg reported that he has approved this petition. They applicants are converting a cottage on Amston lake into a year round residence. They are looking to move the deck away from the house. To do this they will have to dig two holes for two deck footings. Although there is a slight incline towards the lake, he did not see any issues.

The Commission had no problem with J. Soderberg approving this application.

***Violations:***

**Violation 08-18V, Patti Matthews, 108 Jan Drive, Hebron- Excavation of soils within a wetland:**

Fred Mahr was present on behalf of Patti Matthews. F. Mahr reported that they have hired Mike Tarbell of Tarbell & Heintz. J. Soderberg noted that they had received a letter from M. Tarbell (dated August 13, 2009) stating that his firm would present their plan at the Commission's next regular meeting ( September 17, 2009).

J. Mullaney commented that he is glad to see that they are moving ahead with resolving this violation. This violation is not with the town attorney at this point. However, they have really cut it close because the window for doing work to resolve the issue and treat the exposed areas is getting smaller as fall approaches.

J. Mullaney added that if Tarbell & Heintz comes up with a good plan to address the problems, the Commission will probably go along with it.

J. Soderberg commented that the violator should expect to have to pay several thousand dollars to fix the situation. However, it would cost the violator a lot more if this violation goes to the town attorney.

J. Soderberg reported that he has spoken to M. Tarbell about this violation.

F. Mahr reported that M. Tarbell has been out to the site.

The Commission looks forward to receiving and reviewing their proposal at their next meeting.

***Pre-Applications:*** None.

***Other Pertinent Business:***

**Discontinuance and Abandonment of Certain Roads:**

J. Soderberg reported that he has shared this information with the Board of Selectmen. They have not yet formally acted on this proposal. He does not know where they stand on this proposal.

J. Soderberg has presented this proposal and all the background information to the Planning & Zoning Commission. They will continue to carry this topic on their agendas. He will be presenting it to Parks & Recreation.

J. Soderberg would like to see each road voted on separately. J. Mullaney suggested that this Commission work on developing a list of pros and cons for each road. He also suggested that this Commission scheduling some walks. The Commission agreed that they will walk Town Road and Papermill Road first. These walks will occur some time in the fall.

J. Soderberg would like to see each road voted on separately. He noted that discontinuing and abandoning these roads will help the town taxpayers and conservationists.

***Correspondence:***

The following correspondence was received:

- Letter from Dave Bowers (dated July 30, 2009) RE: Recent changes to wetlands at 348 Wall Street
- Letter from Tarbell, Heintz & Associates (dated August 13, 2009) RE: 08-18V
- Notice of Decision and Legal Notice of Action approving petition #09-07 (dated August 10, 2009)
- Notice of Decision and Legal Notice of Action approving petition #09-08 (dated August 11, 2009)
- Article from *The Day* entitled "Montville Couple Face \$100,000 Fine Over Wetlands" (dated July 29, 2009)

The discussion turned to what activities are acceptable in wetlands because they are considered to be farming. J. Mullaney will contact CACIWC and suggest that this be a topic for presentation and discussion at a future seminar.

***Adjournment:***

This meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Bulkovitch  
Board Clerk