

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
4TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
3/24/16**



Present: David Whitaker, Lionel Cloutier, Tony George, and David Koonce

Absent: Garrett Davieau and Kyle Bradley

DOCUMENTS & EXHIBITS

Plans - Pan Am Railway

Abutter Notification - Mass Dept. Conservation & Recreation

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

The meeting minutes of 3/10/16 will be voted on at the next meeting.

Tony George made a motion, 2nd by David Whitaker - **vote** unanimously approved to pay the secretary.

HEARING

**7:05 P.M. RDA, Pan-Am Railways, Railroad Bed Right-of-Way
No one was in attendance**

The project entails the verification of wetland boundaries preliminary to the application of herbicides for purposes of vegetation management along the railroad bed right-of-way. This is a renewal of a 2011 filing of the vegetation management that is renewed every 5 years. At the initial filing in 2011, Agent Koonce road the 5 mile stretches of land and believes there have not been any changes. He recommends a Negative Determination. David Whitaker made a motion, 2nd by Tony George - **vote** unanimously approved a Negative Determination.

**7:10 P.M. NOI, Mass. Dept. of Conservation & Recreation (DCR), Lake Dennison
Colleen Puzas, New England Environmental Consulting and Architect, Jeff Dawson
were in attendance**

The project entails the repair and prevention of erosion and degradation of Lake Dennison's shoreline. Lake Dennison floods from Birch Hill Dam through early April.

Ms. Puzas and Mr. Dawson presented erosion repair at 4 different sites: Day Use Beach Area, Picnic Area, Camp Area and East Dennison Camp Grounds.

Day Beach Area - Their goal is to slow down the storm water by installing infiltration trenches that would flow into a rain garden and eventually back into the lake.

Picnic Area - Erosion points were found along the shoreline as well as sediment leaking to the lake. They plan on reseeding and redefining the area.

Camp Area - The area shows erosive access points similar to the picnic area.

East Dennison Camp Grounds - They plan on redirecting the traffic and slopes in the areas of erosion.

Agent Koonce will contact Colleen Puzas for a site visit once the flooding has rescinded. They still need a file number from DEP.

David Whitaker made a motion, 2nd by Tony George - **vote** unanimously approved to close the hearing.

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Colleen Puzas asked that the Order of Conditions be forwarded to her office for recording

7:30 P.M. NOI, (cont'd) (After-the-fact filing) Robert Paine, 2 Bruce Rd., Construction of a Deck
Applicant has requested a continuance to April 28th, 2016.

David Whitaker made a motion, 2nd by Tony George - **vote** unanimously approved to continue the hearing to April 28, 2016.

OLD BUSINESS

Status of Land Gift (parcels 11 0 64 and 11 0 66)

Agent Koonce has received one estimate and needs another for the surveying of land gift.

NEW BUSINES

No New Business

ADJOURNMENT

David Whitaker, made a motion, 2nd by Tony George - **vote** unanimously approved to adjourn.

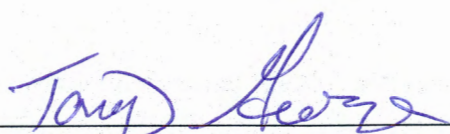
The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Patty Driscoll, secretary



Lionel Cloutier

David Whitaker



Tony George