

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
April 13, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Henry Kozloski  
Jill Ward  
Keven Brown  
Page Fallon  
Frank Meagher

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sheryl Becker  
Magda Galiatsos

ALSO PRESENT:

Taryn Egerton  
Stefanie Kesecker

Mr. Kozloski called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

1. 6:00PM REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION-292 South West Street-Sawyer

Joseph Sawyer, 292 South West Street, was present for this agenda item. He came before the Commission seeking to construct a 15' x 30' shed on a concrete slab and the buffer zone. Mr. Kozloski asked how far the shed was from the leech field. Mr. Sawyer stated he had marked it on his application. Mr. Brown asked if the shed was 28 ft. off of the back left corner of the house. Mr. Sawyer stated yes. Mr. Brown asked if the leech field was in the wetlands. Mr. Sawyer stated yes. Mr. Kozloski stated the leech field is 50ft. away from the wetlands. Mr. Brown asked about the onsite and if the work appeared to be low disturbance. Mr. Kozloski stated controls should be and he suggested an 8" silk sock. Mr. Fallon suggested having erosion controls in place and then to pour the slab at grade without significant excavation.

Motion was made by Mr. Fallon and seconded by Ms. Ward to issue a Negative Determination-292 South West Street-Sawyer-conditional on the removal of debris pile in the wetlands and erosion controls are in place prior to construction.

VOTE 5-0-0

2. REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION CONT.-174 Edgewater Road-Peterson Landscaping

Hector Peterson III, with Peterson Landscaping was present for this agenda item. The Commission conducted an onsite to look at the trees. Mr. Kozloski stated the trees from the edge

of the lake are 20, 35, 55, and 75 ft. The closest tree to the lake was determined to be rotten by the tree warden and in danger of falling down. Mr. Kozloski stated the three trees closest to Silver Lake the stumps needs to remain. Mr. Kozloski asked when the work would be completed. Mr. Peterson stated within 30 days.

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Meagher to issue a Negative Determination-174 Edgewater Road-Peterson Landscaping for the trees labelled 1, 3, and 4 on GIS map labelled Docu1.

VOTE 5-0-0

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Meagher to issue and Emergency Order for the tree labeled 2 on G15 map Docu1.

VOTE 5-0-0

### 3. PUBLIC HEARING CONT.-NOTICE OF INTENT-5 Mark Drive-Pchelka

Ron Huot, with Anderson Associates, was present for this agenda item. He informed the Commission that Engineering is concerned with stormwater runoff on the eastern side of the site. He stated they would like a berm or a swale to redirect the stormwater. Mr. Kozloski suggested plantings along the riverfront area and to use silt sock for erosion controls rather than hay bales.

Motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Ward to require a n 8” silt sock for erosion control.

VOTE 5-0-0

Motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Meagher to require planting small bushes and one trees in Riverfront Area.

VOTE 5-0-0

Mr. Kozloski opened the meeting to the public for comments and none were given.

Motion was made by Mr. Meagher and seconded by Ms. Ward to close the PUBLIC HEARING CONT.-NOTICE OF INTENT-5 Mark Drive-Pchelka.

VOTE 5-0-0

The Order of Conditions will be written at the end of the meeting.

4. PUBLIC HEARING CONT.-NOTICE OF INTENT-North Westfield Street over May Hollow Brook-Town of Agawam DPW

Motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Ward to continue PUBLIC HEARING CONT.-NOTICE OF INTENT-North Westfield Street over May Hollow Brook-Town of Agawam DPW.

VOTE 5-0-0

This agenda item was continued until April 27, 2023.

5. Request for Certificate of Compliance-Nicole Terrace Subdivision-Lot 7

Mr. Kozloski informed the Commission that the grass is not growing in this area.

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Meagher to table this item until the April 27, 2023 meeting.

VOTE 5-0-0

6. Pavement Management Plan-Spring 2023-Agawam DPW

This item will be discussed at the April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting.

7. Correspondence and Complaints

Viktor Savonin, for 0 Poplar Street, was present and stated he was having trouble finding the 6x6x2 marker monuments the Commission had requested so he wanted to see if there were any alternatives he could use. The Commission asked if he could continue trying to find the required markers and to reach out to the Planning Office if he continues to have trouble. Mr. Savonin also asked the Commission about how many plantings and the exact location they wanted them. The Commission requested the plan as required in the OOC to show where the plantings will be located.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-March 23, 2023

Motion was made by Mr. Meagher and seconded by Mr. Fallon to approve the March 23, 2023 minutes.

VOTE 3-0-2 (Kozloski/Ward)

9. PUBLIC HEARING CONT.NOTICE OF INTENT-1014 North St Ext-VIP Homes & Associates LLC

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The Commission received a request to continue this agenda item to the April 27, 2023 meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Meagher to continue the PUBLIC HEARING CONT.-NOTICE OF INTENT-1014 North St Ext-VIP Homes & Associates LLC, to the April 27, 2023 meeting.

VOTE 5-0-0

10. PUBLIC HEARING CONT.-NOTICE OF INTENT-Main Street-Westfield River Interceptor Sewer Relocation Project-Agawam (Continued to June 22, 2023)

This agenda item was previously continued.

The Commission wrote the Order of Conditions for 5 Mark Drive.

Motion was made by Mr. Meagher and seconded by Ms. Ward to approve the Order of Conditions for 5 Mark Drive, as written.

VOTE 5-0-0

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Meagher to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE 5-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:48pm.