

Conservation Commission would need to oversee this type of request. Vice-Chair Holden posed a question to inquire how the two (2) projects dealing with the Town (#312-919 and #312-920) could dovetail together. The well project (#312-920) has several different options available. One option is well outside of the habitat area for the endangered wood turtles and would be advantageous for the Uxbridge High School project, as well. Ms. Walden did receive the information, but has been unable to connect with the appropriate contacts to discuss the options. Ms. Stephanie Tavares with Tata & Howard came forward to discuss the project. Ms. Tavares explained that the DPW has not had the opportunity to connect with the School Committee to discuss this topic. Ms. Tavares understands that the Commission would like to see both projects on the same plan. Tata & Howard suggests and recommends that the road stay in the same location based on the layout of the school. The alternative option is not feasible, due to the layout of the ball fields, etc. Ms. Walden with BSC Group returned to the microphone to discuss the project. Mr. Klei inquired about the fence option to be used. Ms. Walden explained that a finer gray mesh will be installed into the bottom of the fence and bury it 6 inches into the ground (due to the wood turtles being able to climb and burrow). The majority of the proposed work at this project site, must remain 300 feet or greater from the Blackstone River, and at least 600 feet from Emerson Brook. Financial concerns with the cost of the "turtle fence" was discussed and if able to not have a fence at the site. Mr. Daniel Devoe with the Uxbridge School Building Committee came forward to also discuss the issue with the fence. Mr. Devoe feels there is plenty of area for the wood turtles to habitat or nest before getting to the fields. A question was raised to NHESP to inquire how far the wood turtles would travel. Information received from NHESP indicated that if there is no nesting area, then the wood turtles would travel up to 800 feet. But, there are nesting areas located on the property. Additional measures also include creating a nesting habitat (per Natural Heritage Endangered and Endangered Species Program or NHESP nest creation guidelines) in the southern gravel pit in close proximity to Emerson Brook with southern facing slopes; the nesting habitat will be a mound of sand approximately 15-20' high.

Mr. Klei posed the question of BMP, with no expectation of silt fences are to be used. Mr. Rinaldi discussed the BMP to be used on site, such as requiring the contractors to set a limit of work at the project site. The Commission feels that a temporary "moving" silt fence can be added, to stabilize when project is done for each day. One condition to include: Indicating wherever there is non-stabilized surface that there would be hay bales and silt fencing surrounding that area. A special condition to include a BMP will include: Excavation, laying and backfill and stabilization on a regular basis and no trenches open during the evening hours. Mr. Rinaldi indicated that after conversations with the DPW, is to leave a 10 foot section that will allow to vegetate, but will not allow trees to grow on the property. Also, no permanent wetland replications shall be done on site, unless the Conservation Commission requires it to be done. Following discussion, **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to close the Public Hearing for **DEP #312-919, NOI, Town of Uxbridge (applicant), BSC Group (representative), Uxbridge High School on Quaker Hwy** and to issue a standard Order of Conditions with two (2) Special Condition including: Best Management Practices to be followed specifically that the installation of the four (4") inch force main pipe will be opened, installed, backfilled and stabilized on a daily basis and get a copy of revised plans. Seconded by Mr. Potaski, the motion carried unanimously. Ms. Fanger will provide the Commission with a revised set of plans within the next few days.

DEP #312-920, NOI, Uxbridge DPW on 308 Quaker Hwy (Map 35, Parcel 4474) – Construction of a 40'x34' water pump station and appurtenances, approximately 1700 linear feet of cross-country water main and appurtenances, approximately 1700 linear feet of paved bituminous concrete access road and approximately 1700 linear feet of overhead electrical lines associated with the approved public water supply well at the Rosenfeld site. Ms. Stephanie L. Tavares with Tata & Howard, Inc. was present and spoke on behalf of the applicant. This project is located south of the new Uxbridge High School project site. As explained previously, the DPW has not had the opportunity to connect with the School Committee to discuss this topic. Discussion and areas of concern included the conservation restrictions in Zone 1 & 2. The Well Head Protection Restriction restricts the land use w/in the Zone 1 & 2. It doesn't protect the wood turtles or other species; there would be restrictions that would be placed in that area. The DPW's standpoint is to include a gate and fencing, along the perimeter of the land south of the new Uxbridge High School site would be a positive benefit, to distract foot traffic, animals or people walking their dogs. Mr. Klei proposes dense plants that could be placed, instead of the fencing, which may collect debris on both sides. Mr. Lench inquired if the playing fields will be fertilized, will it be in the restriction area. Ms. Leslie Fanger with BSC Group came before the Commission, to

inform that part of the Mass School Buildings, there are incentives to do green low impact developments called Massachusetts Community Health Information Profile (MassChips is a dynamic, user-friendly information service that provides free, online access to these and many other health and social indicators.), part of the specs or operation maintenance plan dictates that the school fields be managed through integrated pest management which has a prescribed protocol for reactive chemical applications if a problem exists. To encourage healthy growth of the turf with no regular applications of chemicals this is typical of regular athletic departments. 2% of the school budget is provided for this application. Ms. Tavares returned to the microphone. Mr. Klei inquired why does the road need to be a paved bituminous concrete access road and what is the cost difference between underground vs. overhead electric lines. Tata & Howard has not done a cost comparison between underground vs. overhead electric lines, however at other water locations in town it has been overhead electric lines. Overhead electric is usually less expensive. At the last Commission meeting, there was a full discussion on the difference between bituminous and gravel roadways, see previous Conservation Commission minutes dated December 6, 2010 for full description. Following discussion, **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to continue discussions for **DEP #312-920, NOI, Uxbridge DPW on 308 Quaker Hwy** to the next scheduled Conservation Commission meeting. Seconded by Mr. Holden, the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Violations/Potential Violations:

Mountainview Estates (Map 41, Parcels 1827, 1832, 1858, 1895, 1941 & 1977) – Heritage Design Group has sent several follow-up reports in the last few days concerning this subdivision. On December 10th, it was reported that there is water flowing into the street that has turned to ice. It appeared that the ground water on the site had failed to be contained. Per Heritage Design Group, the site is now functioning properly and hay bales have been placed across the entire entrance.

20 Albee Road (Map 41, Parcel 1743) – Mr. Domingos & Donna-Draper Sanches, the residents were present. Anonymous report received of tree cutting done on this property within the buffer zone of the wetlands. Mr. Sanches was unaware that the trees were in the wetland buffer zone. Mr. Holden and Chairman Jones did a site visit. Chairman Jones explained that the residents would need to come before the Commission for permission with filing a Notice of Intent or a Request for Determination of Applicability application to cut those trees. Mr. Holden explained that the resident should refrain from dumping grass clippings near the wetlands and any currently dumped at the location should be removed. Mr. Sanches explained the reason for cutting the trees, was a safety issue for his family. The branches were raggedy, dying on top and kept falling down. Mr. Sanches has no further plans to remove any additional trees and the site will remain as is. Mr. Sanches will be sure to remove the grass clippings. Following discussion, **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to issue an Administrative Approval letter of understanding that the grass clippings will be removed, no further fill or clippings will be done in the area and no further tree cutting will be planned at this time. Seconded by Mr. Potaski, the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Mr. Klei to move **4 Albee Road** out of order. Seconded by Mr. Holden, the motion carried unanimously.

Motion to move out of order....

NEW BUSINESS:

Violations/Potential Violations:

4 Albee Road (Map 40, Parcel 2432) – A resident contacted the Commission office to report a violation at this property, stating that since 2004 there has been debris dumped next to the resident's man-made pond (toilet, wire fencing, yard waste, grass clippings, dead animals, etc.). The dead animals were placed on property line/debris line in summer 2010 and have since been removed. Also, the violator pumps water out of man-made pond into another location on the property possibly into pool. Lastly, there is a large pipe that goes directly under 20 Albee Road to 4 Albee Road to the man-made pond. Several times in the last few years, the water has overflowed from the pond and debris has floated into the neighbor's property. Violator blocks pipe with large stone or with wood. Chairman Jones recommends a site visit be done on the property. Mr. Holden and Mr.

Klei will both do site visits on the property. The Commission shall continue discussions to the next scheduled meeting on January 4, 2011.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Hearings:

RDA FY11-04 – 3P Properties, Koopman Lumber on 52 Commerce Drive (Map 40, Parcels 4552, 3785 & 3725) – Proposed project to move the fence to the property line to make room for ground mount solar panels. Mr. Anthony Brookhouse, COO with Koopman Lumber was present. Following discussion, **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to approve the **RDA FY11-04 – 3P Properties, Koopman Lumber on 52 Commerce Drive** and issue a negative determination. Seconded by Mr. Holden the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Mr. Klei to move **Other: Any other business which may lawfully come before the board** for a discussion concerning **Douglas Street** out of order. Seconded by Mr. Holden, the motion carried unanimously.

Douglas Street (Summerfield/Taft Hill Lane) (Map 23, Parcel 4435) – Mr. Gerald Lambert, a resident on 446 Douglas Street came forward to provide pictures of property site. Mr. Klei did a site visit and could not determine where the water is coming from. The Commission shall do additional site visits at the property. Discussions shall continue at the next scheduled meeting.

MINUTES. Meeting minutes dated November 15, 2010 were signed at the Conservation Commission meeting.

MINUTES. MOTION by Mr. Potaski for the December 6, 2010 Meeting Minutes, as amended and make changes with three (3) amendments. Seconded by Mr. Klei, the motion carried unanimously.

Waucantuck – The Mill on West River Pond (located off Mendon Street) – The Commission noted that this has been an inactive site. Discussions and areas of concern included if the cleanup for this property site needed to be done by a certain date. The Commission requests a review of the Planning Board and Conservation Commission files for this project. Discussions shall continue at the next scheduled meeting.

Pout Pond/Legg Farm – The Conservation Commission office sent thank you letters to all the volunteers and participants that helped with recent maintenance to Pout Pond.

Other:

DEP #312-763, Request for Certificate of Compliance – 76 Rockmeadow Road, Lot #4(Map 14, Parcels 624, 654 & 557) – The Conservation Commission office did not receive the necessary paperwork application for this project. The Commission shall continue discussions to the next scheduled meeting, if the paperwork is received in time.

107 Old Millville Road (Map 35, Parcel 4648) – Resident contacted the Commission office inquiring if land can be cleared around perimeter of land to enjoy the natural growth. Mr. Klei shall contact the resident and will do a site visit on the property.

Correspondence – The Commission received an e-mail on December 13th from Mr. Peter Coffin, BRC Coordinator with Blackstone River Coalition concerning a survey of storm-water training needs for the Blackstone Valley. Also, on December 20th, the Commission received by mail, a letter from Tighe & Bond the notice of utility line maintenance activities for Massachusetts Electric Company DBA National Grid. Lastly, on December 20th, the Commission received mail from Spectra Electric.

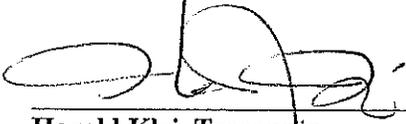
MOTION by Mr. Klei to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 P.M. Seconded by Mr. Lench, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Donna C. Hardy, Conservation Commission Administrative Assistant.

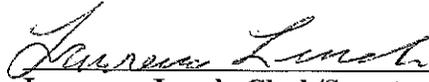


Al Jones, Chairman

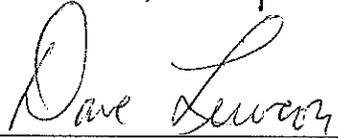
Russell Holden, Vice-Chair



Harold Klei, Treasurer



Lawrence Lench, Clerk/Secretary



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Michael Potaski, Member

1/4/2011

Date