

GEORGETOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Memorial Town Hall ♦ One Library Street ♦ Georgetown, MA 01833

MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2022

Committee: Conservation Commission

Date: April 21, 2022

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom

Commissioners present: Carl Shreder, Rachel Bancroft, Rebecca Chane, Chris Candia, and Tom Howland

Staff members present: Steve Przyjemski (Agent) and Julie Cantara (Admin)

The meeting was called to order at: 7:04 PM

Carl Shreder starts off the meeting by reading off the following:

This Public Meeting is being conducted in a way that is an attempt to satisfy the Open Meeting Law, and other State Laws pertaining to the Public Hearings of the Town's Public Bodies. It is a good faith, best effort to comply with the new law, Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, signed into law on February 15, 2022, which includes an extension until July 15, 2022, of the remote meeting provisions of the Governor's March 12, 2020, Executive Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law. Internet based technologies will be used by the Conservation Commission to conduct Public Meetings and Hearings until the Executive Order and its extension provisions are rescinded or terminated.

Carl Shreder reads off the roll call members:

Carl Shreder (Chairman), Rachel Bancroft, Rebecca Chane, Chris Candia, and Tom Howland

HEARINGS

- **93 Tenney Street** (GCC# 2022-02; DEP# 161-0915) – NOI – (cont.)
Construction of a commercial building with appurtenances within jurisdictional wetlands resource areas and/or associated buffer zones and local setback zones.
- **47 West Street** (DEP# 161-0889) – State NOI – (cont.)
Construction of a 16-unit senior housing development.
- **175 Central Street** (DEP# 161-0908; GCC# 2021-01) – NOI – (cont.)
Replace an existing septic system, upgrade and renovate existing building, site work and replacement of drain pipe.
- **5 Amburg Street** (DEP# 161-0917; GCC# 2022-03) – NOI – (new)
The replacement of an existing failed septic system.
- **105 Lakeshore Drive** (DEP# 161-0918; GCC# 2022-04) – NOI – (new)
New septic system.
- **Thurlow Street – South** (GCC# 2022-05) – NOI (new)
Culvert replacement.

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BUSINESS / DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Items not reasonably anticipated by the chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting.
2. Approve Meeting Minutes from the March 17, 2022 meeting.
3. COC request for Spofford Street - Lot A; DEP# 161-0254.
4. COC request for 12 Hillside Drive; DEP# 161-0570.
5. COC request for 5 Fazio Farm Road; DEP# 161-0152.
6. COC request for 42 Central Street; DEP# 161-0533.
7. Scholarship request for North Shore Nature Programs.
8. Violation to 135 Spofford Road, Boxford Ma, tree cutting in Georgetown.
9. Camp Denison re-appointments:
 - Christian Roop to expire June 30, 2024.
 - Ella Richardson to expire June 30, 2024.
 - George Langlais to expire June 30, 2024.
 - Harry Nelson to expire June 30, 2024.
 - Jim Lacey to expire June 30, 2024.
 - John LoCicero to expire June 30, 2024.
 - Steve Pinto to expire June 30, 2024.
 - Sue Gardiner (non-voting member) to expire June 30, 2024.
10. Open Space re-appointments and one new appointment:
 - John Bell to expire June 30, 2024.
 - John Lopez to expire June 30, 2024.
 - Peter Burns to expire June 30, 2025.
 - Rachel Bancroft to expire June 30, 2025.
 - Amy Smith (new appointment) to expire June 30, 2025.
11. CPC re-appointment:
 - Rachel Bancroft to expire June 30, 2025.

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HEARING: 93 Tenney Street

93 Tenney Street (GCC# 2022-02; DEP# 161-0915) – NOI – (cont.)

Construction of a commercial building with appurtenances within jurisdictional wetlands resource areas and/or associated buffer zones and local setback zones.

Present:

Deb Colbert (Hancock Associates)

Deb Colbert gave an overview/update on the project. There are some action items that the Commission would like for the next meeting:

- Provide erosion control around the entire limit of work.
- Place stone bounds around the 50-foot area. The Commission requested that the wetland markers be made of concrete or granite, and have placards.
- Move the construction entrance to the main entrance.
- Provide update regarding the Planning Board approval. The Board of Health approved it, but their hearing with the Planning Board is scheduled for May 11, 2022.
- Provide information on where the gas/oil drippings from trucks will go.

Rebecca: Makes a motion to continue the hearing to May 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Tom: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

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HEARING: 47 West Street

47 West Street (DEP# 161-0889) – State NOI – (cont.)

Construction of a 16-unit senior housing development.

Steve requested a continuation to June 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Rachel: Makes a motion to continue 47 West Street to June 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Tom: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder	AYE
Rachel Bancroft	AYE
Rebecca Chane	AYE
Chris Candia	AYE
Tom Howland	AYE

Motion carries.

HEARING: 175 Central Street

175 Central Street (DEP# 161-0908; GCC# 2021-01) – NOI – (cont.)

Replace an existing septic system, upgrade and renovate existing building, site work and replacement of drain pipe.

Steve requested a continuation to June 16, 2022 at 7:05 PM.

Rebecca: Makes a motion to continue the hearing to June 16, 2022 at 7:05 PM.

Rachel: Second.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder	AYE
Rachel Bancroft	AYE
Rebecca Chane	AYE
Chris Candia	AYE
Tom Howland	AYE

Motion carries.

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HEARING: 5 Amburg Street

5 Amburg Street (DEP# 161-0917; GCC# 2022-03) – NOI – (new)

The replacement of an existing failed septic system.

*The engineer didn't show up to the meeting, so Steve provided an overview to the Commission.

Rachel: Makes a motion to approve the project.

Rebecca: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

Rachel: Makes a motion to close the hearing for 5 Amburg Street.

Rebecca: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

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HEARING: 105 Lakeshore Drive

105 Lakeshore Drive (DEP# 161-0918; GCC# 2022-04) – NOI – (new)

New septic system.

Present:

Seth Lajoie (Seth L. Lajoie & Associates, Inc.)

Don & Susan MacLean (Abutters)

Seth gave an overview of the project. It has been approved by the Board of Health, but there are lingering questions from the Commission regarding the trees and wall structure after the project.

Abutters Don & Susan MacLean spoke up regarding their concerns with the pond, and debris that has been going into their yard as well. Don said that if the tree stump is removed, the wall will definitely fail, and Seth agreed.

Rebecca: Makes a motion to continue the hearing to May 19, 2022 at 7:10 PM.

Rachel: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

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HEARING: Thurlow Street - South

Thurlow Street – South (GCC# 2022-05) – NOI – (new)

Culvert replacement.

Present:

Vivian Kimball (VHB)

Rachel Luna (VHB)

Vivian and Rachel gave an overview of the project. A DEP number hasn't been issued yet, so they can't close out the project anyway. Steve asked if they were planning on installing a beaver deceiver, and Rachel from VHB said that she would have to check with National Grid and get back to us.

Rebecca: Makes a motion to approve the project on an emergency basis.

Chris: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

Rachel: Makes a motion to continue the hearing to May 19, 2022 at 7:15 PM.

Tom: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Motion carries.

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BUSINESS: Meeting Minutes

Rebecca: Makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 17, 2022.

Rachel: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

BUSINESS: Certificate of Compliances (COC'S)

Steve informed the Commission that each COC was standard, and he recommends approving.

Rebecca: Makes a motion to approve all COC's on the agenda.

Rachel: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

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BUSINESS: Scholarship request for North Shore Nature Programs

Carl made sure that the Commission had enough funds for another scholarship, and Steve confirmed that they did.

Rachel: Makes a motion to approve the scholarship request for the North Shore Nature Programs.
Chris: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder	AYE
Rachel Bancroft	AYE
Rebecca Chane	AYE
Chris Candia	AYE
Tom Howland	AYE

Motion carries.

BUSINESS: Violation to 135 Spofford Road, Boxford, MA – tree cutting in Georgetown

Present:
Andrew Kites (homeowner)

An overview was given by Andrew. He had no idea that he was doing anything wrong, as he hired a tree company to cut the trees down. Rachel asked how many trees were cut down, but Andrew didn't know. He stated that he's getting the area delineated, to put grass down and plant trees. Steve said that there were hundreds of trees cut down. Steve and the Commission agreed that the tree cutting company should've known better, and requested that they attend the next hearing to sort it out. Steve also pointed out that he only issued an Enforcement Letter, not an Enforcement Order at this time.

Rachel: Makes a motion to issue an EO with the condition that a delineation plan is provided.
Rebecca: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder	AYE
Rachel Bancroft	AYE
Rebecca Chane	AYE
Chris Candia	AYE
Tom Howland	AYE

Motion carries.

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BUSINESS: Camp Denison re-appointments

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- Steve Pinto to expire June 30, 2024
- Sue Gardiner (non-voting member) to expire June 30, 2024

Chris: Makes a motion to re-appoint the above members to the Camp Denison Committee.

Tom: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder	AYE
Rachel Bancroft	AYE
Chris Candia	AYE
Tom Howland	AYE
Rebecca Chane	AYE

Motion carries.

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BUSINESS: Open Space re-appointments and one new appointment

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- Peter Burns to expire June 30, 2025
- Rachel Bancroft to expire June 30, 2025
- Amy Smith (new appointment) to expire June 30, 2025

Rebecca: Makes a motion to re-appoint the above members to the Open Space Committee.

Tom: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

Rachel Bancroft

Rebecca Chane

Chris Candia

Tom Howland

AYE

ABSTAINED

AYE

AYE

AYE

Motion carries.

BUSINESS: CPC re-appointment

- Rachel Bancroft to expire June 30, 2025.

Tom: Makes a motion to re-appoint Rachel Bancroft to the CPC.

Chris: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

Rachel Bancroft

Rebecca Chane

Chris Candia

Tom Howland

AYE

ABSTAINED

AYE

AYE

AYE

Motion carries.

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CLOSING THE MEETING

Carl: Okay, if there's nothing else to discuss, I'd entertain a motion to close.

Tom: Makes a motion to close the meeting for April 21, 2022.

Rachel: Seconds motion.

ROLL CALL

Carl Shreder

AYE

Rachel Bancroft

AYE

Rebecca Chane

AYE

Chris Candia

AYE

Tom Howland

AYE

Motion carries.

The Meeting was adjourned at **9:13 PM**. Documents and other exhibits used at the meeting will be available for review at the Conservation Office.

******END OF MEETING MINUTES******

This section is for approving the meeting minutes

Minutes for the Conservation Commission meeting held on April 21, 2022 were approved by a virtual roll call vote on May 19, 2022. The Chairman will sign the Meeting Minutes when in-person meetings resume.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman: _____
(signature)