

GREAT BARRINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, May 26, 2021

6:30PM

Remote Meeting via ZOOM Video / Telephone Conference

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Great Barrington Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on town's website, at www.townofgb.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so in the following manner: See instructions at the top of the Agenda. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

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AGENDA

Call to Order: The Chair will conduct a roll call to identify attendees. All votes taken during the meeting will be roll call votes. All participants please identify themselves before speaking.

1. Notice of Intent (DEP File # 167-0436) from Foresight Land Services on behalf of Leonard Felson & Julia Rosenblum. The property is at 56 River Street, Map 14 Lot 258. The proposed work consists of stabilizing a section of Housatonic Riverbank and related site work including construction of a planted structural bank stabilization system to mitigate against future erosion during storm events. **Continued from December 9, 2020.**

2. Notice of Intent (DEP File # 167-0437) from Berkshire Engineering on behalf of Steven Bankert, property is at 49 Pearl Street, Map 11 Lot 47. The proposed work consists of constructing a 10 foot by 15 foot addition along the western face of the existing house and converting an existing patio into a 10 foot by 20 foot sunroom along the southern face of the same house. **Continued from April 28, 2021.**

3. Request for Determination of Applicability from TEC Associates on behalf of The Housatonic Railroad Company. The property consists of the railroad Right of Way through Great Barrington. The anticipated work consists annual vegetation management in accordance with Massachusetts Rights-of-Way Management Regulations and the railroad's Vegetation Management Plan. The applicant is seeking recertification of wetland resource area delineations. **Continued from April 28, 2021.**

4. Notice of Intent (DEP File # 167-xxxx) from White Engineering on behalf of Benjamin Wohlfert, property is at 121 Bridge Street, Map 20 Lot 17. The proposed work consists of reconstructing and substantially enlarging the single family residence at 121 Bridge Street including extensive decks and access ramp.

5. Notice of Intent (SMA File # 5-07-21) from White Engineering on behalf of 30 High Street Nominee Realty Trust, property at 30 High Street, Map 14 Lot 72. The proposed work consists of construction of a portion of a single family house within a Mapped Scenic Mountain Region and associated site work and clearing. The remainder of the house, its driveway and utilities will be outside the Mapped Scenic Mountain Region.

6. Request for Determination of Applicability from James J. Mercer, property at 162 Division Street, Map 33 Lot 13. The proposed work consists of constructing a 2,200 sq. ft. building in the vicinity of existing Housatonic Water Work's facilities adjacent to Long Pond Dam within 500 feet of Long Pond. The building will house a water treatment plant for manganese removal.

7. Request for Determination of Applicability from James J. Mercer, property is Round Pond and land adjacent to it off Long Pond Road, Map 34 Lot 10. The proposed work consists of directional drilling under Round Pond and installing utilities to serve a single building lot on the west side of the pond.

8. Request for Determination of Applicability from James J. Mercer, property is the Round Pond Dam off Long Pond Road, Map 34 Lot 10. The proposed work consists of addressing accumulated maintenance issues on and adjacent to the Dam.

9. Request for Extension, Order of Conditions, (DEP File 167-0419) from Jessica Applin of Land Stewardship, Inc. on behalf of the Mass DCR Ecology Program. The applicant seeks a three year extension of their current Order, until 6/11/2024, covering invasive plan management at Beartown State Forest, Fountain Pond State Park and East Mountain State Forest.

Citizen Speak Time / Commission Speak Time

Approval of minutes of the March 2021 and April 2021 9meetings.

Next meeting date June 23, 2021; site visits June 16, 2021 and new submissions due June 2, 2021.

ADJOURN

Pursuant to MGL. 7c. 30A sec. 20 (f), after notifying the chair of the public body, any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting of a public body, or may transmit the meeting through any medium. At the beginning of the meeting, the chair shall inform other attendees of any such recordings. Any member of the public wishing to speak at the meeting must receive permission of the chair. The listings of agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.