

GREAT BARRINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, October 25, 2023

6:30 PM

Meeting via ZOOM and in person at 334 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA

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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. Participants please identify themselves before speaking. This meeting is being recorded.

- 1. Approval of Minutes** of the September 27, 2023 meeting.
- 2. Notice of Intent (DEP File # 167-0455)** from Solitude Lake Management on behalf of URJ Eisner Camp for an Aquatic and Mechanical Management Program for Camp Eisner Pond to control Invasive Aquatic Vegetation **The Applicant has advised that this NOI will be re-submitted by another firm.**
- 3. Notice of Intent (SMA File # 08-04-2023)** from White Engineering on behalf of Steven Yang & Kathy H. Lee. The property is at 15 & 17 East Mountain Road, Map 37 Lots 45-13 & 45-14. The proposed work consists of clearing and constructing a new driveway to a new house site and well. **Continued from August 23, 2023 and Site Visits conducted September 21, 2023 and October 24, 2023.**
- 4. Request for Determination of Applicability** from John Field Tree Service on behalf of Risa Hess for removal of one dead Hemlock tree and trimming lateral branches of various other trees in the buffer zone of Lake Mansfield at #3 Lake Mansfield Lane. The Hemlock will be "flush cut" with stump and roots left in-place.
- 5. Request for Determination of Applicability** from Tighe & Bond, Inc. on behalf of the Great Barrington Fire District, property at 95 Hurlburt Road, Map 31 Lot 55. The proposed work includes installation of a new generator on a new concrete pad and associated site work next to the existing pump station building.
- 6. Request for Determination of Applicability** from Benesch engineering on behalf of the Mass DOT Highway Division for reconstruction of pedestrian curb ramps to meet ADA standards at the Route 7 crossing over Thomas and Palmer Brook.
- 7. Request for Determination of Applicability** from Mary Feuer on behalf of Community Health Programs (CHP), Property at 442 Stockbridge Road, Map 36 Lot 25B. The proposed work consists of constructing a 12' X 40' Old Hickory Built Shed on slab with electricity to be used as a food storage building within the outer 50 ft. Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

8. **Request for Certificate of Compliance** from Foresight Land Services on behalf of the Town of Great Barrington and the Great Barrington Land Conservancy, the properties are the Northern and Southern Segments of the Riverside Trail, Maps 19, 22 & 38 Lots 19-145; 19-145A; 19-152; 22-64; 38-12E & 38-12F. The Middle Segment, through the Great Barrington Fairground, has not yet been constructed.
9. **Discussion** with Pedro Pachano of the GB Planning Board about updating the GB Master Plan.
10. **Discussion** of Allowing Conservation Commission Member Electronic Signatures on DEP Wetland Permits
11. **Discussion** with Jess Toro on next round of CPA applications – Step 1 deadline is November 3rd at 4:00 PM.
11. **Miscellaneous** administrative matters
12. **Citizens Speak Time**
Citizen Speak Time is an opportunity for the Conservation Commission to listen to residents. Topics of particular concern or importance may be placed on a future agenda for discussion. This time is reserved for town residents only unless otherwise permitted by the chair. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes each.

12. Adjournment

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.