



Waltham Conservation Commission
November 18, 2021
7:00 p.m.
Meeting Agenda

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20," and subsequent relevant extension and rescinding orders, as well as "An Act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency," 2021 Mass. Acts 20, signed into law on June 16, 2021, this meeting of the Waltham Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible.

For this meeting, members of the public may participate by joining at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87519849753?pwd=MTRXVksxb256enFid2Fjd0VHTiViUT09>

We will post a link to the video recording at <http://www.wcac.org/government/meetings/conservation-commission> as soon as possible after the meeting.

Public Meeting

Request for Determination of Applicability

Applicant: BeaverGroup LLC

Property Location: 117 Beaver Street

Project Description: Remove and replace failing retaining wall supporting driveway and utility pole.

Public Meeting

Request for Determination of Applicability

Applicant: Gregory Regan

Property Location: 2 Chesterbrook Road

Project Description: Remove and replace 3 hazard trees.

Public Meeting

Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP File # 316-0740)

Applicant: Alexander Trakimas

Property Location: 785 Beaver Street (CHCH)

Commission Business

- Approval of meeting minutes from 11-4-2021.
- Storer Conservation Land Encroachment
- Seeking public input on potential conservation parcels that could be purchased using the expendable portion of the Conservation Trust. Update from city treasurer on tax status of suggested parcels.

Correspondence

- 1432 Main Street: Goddard Consulting has submitted a required report on the restoration plantings. Currently approximately 95% vegetative cover and 100% tree/shrub survival (75% required for each). Monitoring to continue for 2 years.
- John Pizzi of the City Engineering Department has raised concerns about the property at 187 Lexington Street. It received a COC in April, 2010, DEP 316-0541. Engineering has been asked to issue a certificate of occupancy but they feel the site might not have fulfilled conditions of the OOC from ConCom. He requests that ConCom review.
- 200 Smith Street. Matt Kutchins of Outdoor Pride (landscaping contractor) requests the Commission's approval to use Muck Pucks, a biological control product, to clear algae from two wetland pools adjacent to Smith Street which have become filled with sludge and cause an unpleasant odor in the neighborhood. Commission office has reached out to MA DEP and Cambridge Water for opinions. DEP has responded (see letter), advises caution.
- Leo Garneau of Northeastern Consulting Forestry Services has requested that a site visit be scheduled for 385-AFT Winter Street ("Across from 81 Wyman Street" in DEP 316-0784). This is to review Phase 1 work and approve beginning of Phase 2. They have worked with Mass DOT to identify trees planned for removal in Phase 2 and submitted details to the Commission.

Old Business

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Site Visit Reports

- Mt. Feake trees / phenology (Brad Baker).

Committee Reports

- **CPC:** Meeting on November 16, 2021

New Business

- Community Engagement / Volunteer contact list. (Brad Baker)