

APPROVED

**MINUTES Belmont Conservation Commission Meeting**

August 7, 2012 in Room 4 Town Hall at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

**Attendance:** Chair: Miriam Weil; David Webster, Tino Lichauco, William McCants, Margaret Velie

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**Remote Attendance at Public Meetings**

Miriam Weil will e-mail Selectmen on whether they would be willing to accept remote attendance as a means of attending public hearings or meetings. The Commission has a member who will be, at least temporarily, out of town during the week and would like to continue as a member of the Conservation Commission.

**Review of Minutes of June 26, 2012**

Tino Lichauco moved that the Commission approve the minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting of the Belmont Conservation Commission. Bill McCants seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

**Rock Meadow Gardens**

Mary Trudeau received a request from the gardeners for a small shed to store the weed wacker, lawnmower, and wheelbarrows. To be discussed further at the next meeting with Mary.

**50 Moraine St.**

Stockpiling of fill materials has occurred on a vacant lot that appears to be within Riverfront Area associated with Beaver Brook and within 100' of the associated wetlands. Mary Trudeau issued an enforcement order on July 16, 2012.

Bill McCants moved to adopt the enforcement order for 50 Moraine St., David Webster seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

**Several Items of New Business were discussed**

**Chairman**

It was agreed to discuss filling the Chair position at our next meeting.

**Landfill/Library**

David Webster has attended town meetings on this issue. The most recent proposal is to build a new swimming pool up the hill from the current pool and locate the soccer field in the location of the existing pool and outdoor skating area.

## **CPA**

\$25 million goes to Town this year. 10% must be spent on open space. A change in rules allows for restoration.

## **Wetlands Bylaw**

The draft from five years ago will be located and circulated. Interest arose from members to revisit this issue.

## **UPLANDS (DEP 106-0072) update**

It was noted that there have been questions about whether the tree cutting plan, required by ZBA, has been approved.

On September 13 there will be a storm water seminar in Belmont. We will distribute MACC's brochure on the Wetlands Protection Act.

**Miriam Weil moved, and the motion was seconded by David Webster to enter executive session to discuss litigation strategy. After a roll call vote, the Commission voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss strategy related to litigation on the Uplands Project. (OADR Docket No. Wet 2008-072-R)**

The Commission came back into open meeting at approximately 9:15 and adjourned at 9:30.

Next meeting: September 11, 2012