

**HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2022  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM, HANSON TOWN HALL  
542 LIBERTY STREET, HANSON, MA 02341**

Called to Order at 7:00 pm under M.G.L. c131, §40 and the Hanson By-Law 3-13, §5 and Rules and Regulations by Phil Clemons, Chairman, Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall, Hanson, MA

**Present:** Phil Clemons, Chairman  
Sharon LePorte Vice Chairman  
David Mansfield, Clerk  
Thomas Roffey, Jr., Member  
Frank Schellenger, Agent  
Lan Woodward, Administrative Assistant

**Also Present:** Joseph Webby, Webby Engineering, Inc.  
Allen Walker, Clean Harbors Environmental Services  
Rich Bell, Cyn Environmental Services

**Minutes**

December 15, 2021

**Motion to approve December 15, 2021 Minutes by:** David Mansfield

**Second:** Sharon LePorte

**Vote:** 3-0-1

**Public Hearings**

**7:00 PM Notice of Intent** to demolish the existing dwelling and construct a new single family dwelling within associated site grading, driveway, septic system, and utilities within 100 feet of bordering vegetated wetlands at 29 Arthur Street, Map 16, Lot 10C, for Charles Callahan, represented by Webby Engineering Inc., 180 County Road, Plympton, MA 02367. (DEP#SE175-0741) (New Hearing)

Mr. Mansfield read the Public Hearing Notice and green cards were verified. It is noted that the applicant has unpaid taxes with the Treasurer/Collector's office.

Joseph Webby, Webby Engineering, Inc. presented plans to the Conservation Commission. The existing dwelling is in disrepair, the proposal is to demolish and construct a new single family dwelling and septic system. There is an existing driveway. The wetlands have been delineated by Brad Holmes, Environmental Consulting & Restoration, LLC. The Board of Health had it scheduled on agenda yesterday.

Agent Schellenger has visited the site to verify the wetland line. He has reviewed the plan and it is a routine installation. A variance will be needed to work within the 50' buffer zone. Agent Schellenger will visit the site when the erosion control is being done. He is not sure if the plan included posts, if not, it should.

**Motion to issue variance for work within the 50' buffer zone by:** Thomas Roffey, Jr.

**Second:** David Mansfield

**Vote:** 4-0-0

**Motion to close the hearing and approve Order of Conditions subject to Special Conditions by:** Sharon LePorte

**Second:** David Mansfield

**Vote:** 4-0-0

### Appointments -

**7:15 PM Appointment** with Allen Walker, Clean Harbors Environmental Services, and Rich Bell, Cyn Environmental Services, to discuss site oil spill at Supreme Energy, 1158 Main Street.

There was an oil spill onsite January 11, 2022. There were about 644 gallons lost. Notifications were made and clean up was started. Agent Schellenger and Chair Clemons visited the site, along with Hanson Fire Department, Highway Department, MA DEP, Clean Harbors Environmental Services, and Cyn Environmental Services.

Chair Clemons stated that directly abutting Supreme Energy, there is a wetland that contains Great Cedar Swamp Brook. Because of the distance and containment was such, there has not been an impact. Analysis is ongoing. Chair Clemons would like to note that he is an abutter to this property, so that the records show it was stated.

Agent Schellenger proposed an Emergency Certification to allow work to proceed, but a narrative is still needed for the remedial action plan pursuant to 310 CMR 10.06 Emergencies.

Rich Bell, Cyn Environmental Services, did notify Commission that there will be a Scientist present to take readings and samples for analysis during cleanup process. He also stated that heating unit is not shown on presented plan. The unit is used so that the water will not freeze during process. A heating blanket will be around everything.

Narrative to be submitted to the Conservation Office as soon as possible by Allen Walker, Clean Harbors Environmental Services, so that an Emergency Certification can be processed.

### Discussions

#### **Property Management Update**

Trash picked up at Conservation areas where needed.

**Smitty's Bog;** Kiosk sign vandalized by graffiti protesting unleashed dogs on the property.

**Indian Crossway;** Substantial bridge/dam constructed of logs and lumber across the stream flow creating greater flooding. The causeway/dike across the swamp has been breached in one area with water flowing about 50' along the roadway before flowing through a breach on the low water side.

**Rocky Run;** New kiosk framework is up.

#### **Open Space Acquisition**

##### **485 Winter Street**

The closing occurred on January 10, 2022.

#### **Sleeper Property**

Mr. Sleeper and several lawyers are making progress with probate and are closer to dates for clearing the title. As of today, besides title being cleared, we need to provide an environmental assessment.

#### **Lite Control Property**

No update as of this meeting. Joan Pierce, Mass Department of Fish and Game (DFG) plans on following up today, she has an upcoming Land Committee Meeting and would like an update, if any, from Hubbell.

#### **Volunteer Trail Management 101**

No update as of this meeting.

**Scout Project Update**

Mr. Roffey will follow up with TJ Woodward regarding signage and kiosk updates.

A resident is interested in monitoring bluebird boxes around the Smitty's Bog area; if they can be created, it could be a possible future eagle scout project.

**Budget**

Copies of the Budget Report for FY 2023 were presented to the Commission by Agent Schellenger.

Chair Clemons met with Lisa Green, Town Administrator and discussed full-time hours for the Conservation Agent.

**Motion to Vote for an Increase in Hours for Conservation Agent to Full-time, 35 hours, for upcoming May,**

**2022 Town Meeting by: Sharon LePorte**

**Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.**

**Vote: 4-0-0**

**Summer Intern**

**Motion to commence search for Summer Intern for Conservation Office by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.**

**Second: David Mansfield**

**Vote: 4-0-0**

**Old Business/New Business - (None)**

**Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for 29 Arthur Street, Notice of Intent - Signed**

**Invoice for Title Search and Closing Costs (Mead, Talerman and Costa, LLC) for 485 Winter Street, Map 98, Lot 12 - Signed**

**Invoice for Mileage Reimbursement (Agent) – Signed**

**Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn at 8:37 PM by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.**

**Second: David Mansfield**

**Vote: 4-0-0**