

GROTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes

June 14, 2004

Chairman Bruce Clements called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. Members Craig Auman, Bruce Easom, and Peter Morrison were present. Evan Owen arrived at 5:10 p.m. Members Kris Corwin and Stacey Laudenslager were absent. Conservation Assistant Barbara Ganem was present.

B. Easom reported that he had attended the recent ZBA hearing on the Mattbob project. He noted that the ZBA raised concerns about the use of salt and sand on the access roadway, particularly since it approaches a 10% grade. Also it will be necessary to notify additional abutters because of the additional lot acquired to move the access further from the wetlands. Future maintenance of the detention basins will be the responsibility of the homeowners through fees collected through a homeowners' association. One of the issues is whether Groton or Littleton will provide emergency services. B. Easom informed the Commission that the water line will come from Groton although they do not have the details yet. The line would be brought underneath the road which could involve a pipe through the wetlands.

(E. Owen arrived at 5:10 p.m.)

B. Easom said the proponents need to go before the Littleton ZBA and also need some type of authorization from the Housing Appeals Committee. P. Morrison asked if it would be necessary to re-file with the state because another town is now involved. B. Easom indicated that there would be a mailing to surrounding towns, but he was not aware of how the process changes. E. Owen pointed out that work appears to be occurring across the street from the Mattbob project where they are cutting down trees and chipping near the wetlands.

Members reviewed the draft MEPA letter on the Rocky Hill project, making some modifications.

Upon a motion by P. Morrison, seconded by C. Auman, it was

VOTED: to approve the draft letter as amended.

Upon a motion by P. Morrison, seconded by E. Owen, and a roll call vote of Evan Owen, Peter Morrison, Bruce Easom, Craig Auman, and Bruce Clements, it was

VOTED: to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation, not to return to Open Session.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara V. Ganem
Conservation Assistant

Approved as drafted 7/13/04