

ALTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF MEETING
ALTON TOWN HALL
May 11th, 2023 6 P.M.
Minutes



Members:

Gene Young, Chairman
Russ Wilder
Brock Mitchell, Selectman's Rep

Dana Rhodes, Vice Chairman
Tom Diveny

Earl Bagley
David Mank

Others Present:

Katherine Bowden, Secretary
John Jonasch

Members Absent: *David Mank, Brock Mitchell, Selectman's Rep*

Call Meeting to Order: *Called to order at 6:00 pm*

Public Announcements: *Gene Young made the announcement that Tom Diveny and himself are still in the process of being reappointed. As result they will be unable to vote for the remainder of the meeting.*

Approval of Agenda: *Agenda approved as printed*

Presentations/Consultations: *None*

Approval of Minutes:

- 4/27/23 Meeting Minutes
The approval of the 4/27/23 meeting minutes have been moved to the 5/25/23 meeting agenda.

PERMITS AND APPLICATIONS

(Any permit or application that has been signed off by the Chair or Vice-Chair is entered here for the record, unless any Commissioner has questions or comments)

Standard Wetlands Dredge and Fill Applications:

- 1) **Metcalf Family Revocable Trust c/o Michael & Caitlin Metcalfe, Trustees, 340 Sleeper Island, M73 L43-** Reconfigure an existing 662 sf breakwater, 122 sf wharf. Propose to provide a 605 sf rock breakwater with 4' x 34' cantilevered pier to 6' x 12' connecting walkway to a 4'w x 34' piling dock in a "U" configuration accessed by a 4' x 15' walkway to shore to provide two more functional and protected boatslip / safe docking. Dock qualifies for permanent dock construction pursuant to Env-Wt. 153.04 and breakwater construction pursuant to Env-Wt. 512. The breakwater is a straight breakwater design with slight dogleg at the lakeward most end minimizing impacts when compared to other breakwater design alternatives. This property is shown on appendix D and the frontage experiences significant wave energy from prevailing winds, demonstrating need. Proposal removes approx. 57 sf of breakwater material, increase dock impact by only 25sf and provides a 9.7' gas at shore.

After discussion, the Commission had no concerns

- 2) **46 Rum Point, LLC, 46 Rum Point, M57 L16** – The project proposes multiple modifications and repairs to existing “major docking structure”, including repairs of an existing grandfathered boat house, constructed over lake Winnepesaukee, with no expansion of footprint; The widening of the basin under the boathouse, removing rocks for the breakwater to make the additional space; The addition of 2 new boat slips via new docking structure, for total of 5 boat slips on 648 LF of shoreline frontage; The repair of an adjacent breakwater; and the replacement of an adjacent 6’ wide concrete deck.

After discussion, the Commission had no concerns

Shoreland Permit Applications:

- 1) **Metcalfe Family Revocable Trust c/o Michael & Caitlin Metcalfe, Trustees, 340 Sleeper Island, M73 L43** – Provide for an addition behind the primary building line (969sf) and new accessory structure behind the existing primary structure. The proposed addition and new accessory structure will utilize approximately 82 LF of storm water management drip edge/infiltration trenches to mitigate any potential erosion and help infiltrate storm water. In addition, provide a 65.8 sf shed addition, new 115 sf retaining wall, rebuild (2) existing rock retaining walls, provide new wood stairway to proposed docking structure (wetlands permits pending). Temporary impacts to facilitate the project will equal 3,780 sf. Total impacts within the protected shoreline to equal approx. 5,857.6sf.

After discussion, the Commission had no concerns

Reoccurring/Unfinished Business & Projects:

- 1) **Lake Lay Monitoring Program**

Tom Diveny reported that there will be a need for a boat to continue with lake monitoring as the current volunteers are no longer available to provide the Commission boat transportation. Russ Wilder has offered help the Conservation Commission by providing boat transportation for Lake Lay monitoring.

- 2) **Green Oak Realty**

Gene Young reported that Green Oaks realty was approved a special exception under the condition that the slope is repaired before business is started.

- 3) **Gilman Pond Management Plan**

Gilman Pond management report will be added to the 5/25/23 meeting agenda for the Commission to review.

New Business:

The Commission interviewed John Jonasch as a prospective trail maintenance volunteer, learned that he has had a career in water sampling in Massachusetts, and interest in volunteering to help with sampling in Alton. The Commission invited him to apply to the Selectmen for appointment as an alternate on the Commission.

Notice of Intent to Cut Timber:

- 1) 550 Muchado Hill Rd. M1 L22
- 2) Minge Cove Rd. M60 L7-4
- 3) Stockbridge Corner Rd. M61 L32
- 4) Jesus Valley Rd. M11 L18
- 5) Sample Terrace. M9 L53-2

Correspondence:

- 1) **ZBA-Notice of Public Hearing, Abutters Notice. (Received Monday May 1st 2023)**

- 2) **NHDES Revised Restoration Plan Approval – 183 Sunset Shore Drive, M70 L31**
- 3) **NHDES Incomplete Wetlands Permit-by-Notification – 19 Winni Ave, M34 L33**
- 4) **NHDES Disqualified Seasonal Dock Notification for Lake and Ponds – Baxter Place, M25 L13**
- 5) **Alteration of Terrain Amendment Request form- Green Oak Realty**
- 6) **NHDES Denied Wetland PBN – 35 Clay Point Rd.**

Date and time of next meeting:

May 25th 6 P.M.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6: 55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Bowden, Building / Conservation secretary.

