

**PRINCETON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES FOR MEETING**  
**March 21, 2017**

**PRESENT:**

Ron Thompson, Brian Keevan, Rachael Catlow, John Vieira and Susan Mitchell from the PCC were in attendance. As well as Brett Trowbridge associate member.  
Brian Keevan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 77 Main Street, Princeton owned by Mohamed Samoda had an Enforcement Action was issued on January 5, 2017 for an underground propane tank installed without the filing of a Notice of intent. PCC members voted to ratify the Enforcement Action. No Notice of Intent has been file and erosion controls have not been installed. Lorden Oil Co was contacted and they were working on the NOI. In a later, phone conversation with Tim from Lorden Oil, he stated that Mr. Samoda would be preparing the NOI and abutter notifications. PCC will call Mr. Samoda and follow up with a letter stating that it will be needed by the April meeting, otherwise will be forwarded to DEP.
- Brian Keevan attended a Historical Commission meeting regarding the clean- up of the Town Pound. He spoke about large dead trees that are a hazard to the pound. The Historical Commission would like to follow thru with the cutting of the trees making it safe for visitors. A site visit will be done again in April.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A Notice of Intent filed by Beals and Thomas for Alternatives Unlimited Inc. at 42 Pheasant Hollow Run for the expansion of existing driveway within the 100-foot buffer zone of the bank of an unnamed intermittent stream. The Public Hearing was opened at 7:04. Mary Kate Schneeweis from Beals and Thomas spoke to the PCC about this project. A site visit took place on March 18, 2017 with Brian Keevan, Barbara Laughlin, Sue Mitchell and Mary Kate Schneeweis from Beals and Thomas. A motion was made to do an additional site visit as soon as the snow is gone to better see the wetlands. The wetlands need to be delineated. Continued to the April meeting as requested by the applicant. DEP File No. 267-0390.

- A Notice of Intent was filed by SOLitude Lake Management for Leominster State Forest Ponds for the Aquatic Management Program at Paradise and Crow Hill Ponds to control nuisance and non-native plant growth. The Public Hearing was opened at 7:25 P.M. Brian Keevan recused himself from this project. Tom Flannery, DCR and Bregita Aridson and Dominic Meringoln from SOLitudes gave an overview of the herbicides to be used to kill the Milfoil and Bladder Wort in the ponds. It will be a 5 year Management Plan with 1-2 years of treatment and hand pulling then a 3 year observation time. This will be done in late May early June, they will close the ponds to public use on the day of application and up to 5 days after. Signs will be posted. Beth Hunter an abutter asked questions about the treatment vs. harvesting. A motion to issue an Order of Conditions was unanimous. An Order of Conditions was issued for DEP 267-0389. The Public Hearing was closed at 8:00 PM.
- Notice of Intent filed by the Town of Princeton by Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for reconstruction of Route 140 from the Sterling Town line from the southeast to the northwest near the fire station. The Public Hearing was opened at 8:01 PM. A site visit was done on March 18 with Brian Keevan, Sue Mitchell from PCC and Lindsey Barbee from GPI as well as Barbara Laughlin (perspective new PCC member). DEP File No. 267-0391. Lindsey Barbee gave an overview of the project as well as the replacement of the bridge over Keys Brook. Krista Ferrante 85 Main St. spoke with regards to her well and possible impacts to her well caused by the project. PCC wanted to know the number of trees to be cut for the project. This was continued to the April Meeting at the request of the applicant.
- Larry Greene Jr. spoke to the PCC regarding the resurfacing of Calamint Hill Road North, from Ball Hill Road. This will take place in late summer or early fall. Barbara Laughlin a resident on Calamint Hill Road N spoke to the PCC that she would like to be notified so she could have some input on the road work. The type of resurfacing has not yet been determined.
- Barbara Laughlin spoke to the PCC regarding her interest in becoming a member. She submitted a resume to the PCC. A motion to recommend Barbara as a member was unanimous.
- An email was received from Cassidy Way, Goldman Environmental Consultants regarding any 21E information for 52 Redemption Rock Trail N. No files were located.

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**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE:**

**FOREST CUTTING PLANS:**

The minutes from February 21, 2017 meeting were read and accepted with changes as noted.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15PM.

**Marsha Dowdy**