

# TOWN OF PRINCETON

## BOARD/COMMITTEE: PRINCETON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

**DATE: November 27, 2018**

**TIME: 7:00**

**LOCATION: Town Hall Annex**

Attendance: Chairman Brian Keevan, John Vieira, Barbara Laughlin, Rachael Catlow, and Ron Thompson

Brian Keevan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Votes taken in the following actions are “all in favor” unless noted otherwise.

### **Public Hearings and Meeting:**

**Item 1:** A public hearing was continued for a Notice of Intent (NOI) (DEP#267-0414) for the construction of a single family home at Lot #3A Merriam Road. At the request of the applicant, Jennifer Greene, a public hearing was continued until December 18, 2018.

**Item 2:** A public hearing was continued at 7:03 for a NOI for lot 16BR on Hickory Drive (DEP# 267-0415) for the construction of a single family home. Miguel Gonzalez presented information and the property owner James Whitman was also present. The applicant provided an amended plan, dated 11/15/18 to the Commission and an Order of Conditions was approved at 7:11 PM.

**Item 3:** A public hearing was continued at 7:18 for Calamint Hill Road paving project (DEP# 267-0412). Larry Greene Jr. from Waterman Associates represented the applicant (Town of Princeton). Mr. Greene Jr. submitted a revised set of plans. Barbara Laughlin recused herself since she is an abutter to the project. Changes on the submitted plan included preservation of additional trees, drainage improvements, utility poles locations and additional driveways/access points. Straw bale erosion control barriers were extended at the request of the Commission. DEP comments included providing a stamped drainage summary and documentation that flood zone capacity is not being reduced. NHESP has submitted their summary letter stating that no endangered species will be impacted. Project bidding to occur over the winter for spring construction. Order of Conditions was approved at 7:50 with special conditions (potential isolated wetland located near Kelly property to be field delineated, submission of SWIP).

**Item 4:** The property owner, Marsha Dowdy, at 247 East Princeton Road requested Certificate of Compliance (COC) following the completion of septic repairs (DEP #267-0396). No action taken.

### **Commission Other Business, Mail, Procedures, etc.:**

Richard Gardner, who is a member of the Princeton Open Space Committee, presented an update on the Calamint Hill Road Conservation Area proposed trails.

Brian provided an update on the Wachusett Meadow pathway construction. Erosion controls were installed and inspected by Brian on November 8, 2018 and found to be in good condition.

The Commission discussed a timeline of work at 23 Hubbardston Road (DEP# 267-0409). No work has been conducted to date related to the Order of Conditions. Debris and trash migration downslope towards the wetland resource area was discussed and Barbara will inspect and photo document the slope. The Commission discussed drafting a letter to the Princeton Board of Health if debris and trash is overflowing into the resource area.

The October 30, 2018 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with minor edits.

The Commission will purchase two file cabinets.

The Commission discussed the draft Code of Conduct.

The next PCC meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2018.

**Forest Cutting Plan:** None

Meeting Adjourned at 9:33 PM.

*Respectfully submitted, Barbara Laughlin*