TOWN OF PRINCETON BOARD/COMMITTEE: PRINCETON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: February 26, 2019 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 Meetings:

Item 1: 7:00 PM - A public hearing was opened for a Notice of Intent (NOI) filed by the Ben Whitaker for property located at 143 Calamint Hill Road N (Lots 1 and 2). MassDEP File 267-0418 was assigned to the NOI which was submitted due to an Enforcement Order. Violations included land disturbed within buffer zone in River Front Area. Arthur Allen presented plans and an overview of the NOI. Proposed activities for restoration include replanting native species in wooded area that was previously cleared and planting of an orchard with native meadow growth. The Commission requested a brief report from the property owner on how to re-establish wildlife habitat in the upland wooded area as well as a revised plan showing additional proposed restoration in the area south of the berm adjacent to the proposed orchard area. At the request of the property owner, the public hearing will be continued until the March 19, 2019 meeting.

Item 2: 7:31 PM – A public meeting was opened for DEP 267-0419 for 16 Pine Hill Road filed by Paulette McGaw. This NOI was submitted due to an Enforcement Order. Arthur Allen presented plans and an overview of the NOI. Violations included filling of wetlands and bordering vegetated wetlands. Proposed activities proposed is restoration of land on abutting property owned by Craig Norton as well as land on Paulette's property. The Commission requested that the plans and proposed restoration area be revised. The proposed planting schedule is acceptable as provided. The property owner requested that the hearing be continued be continued until the March 19, 2019 meeting.

Commission Other Business, Mail, Procedures, etc.:

Brian received revisions from Rick regarding the Calamint Hill Road N proposed trails and will forward via email to the Commission members.

The Commission discussed farm lease rates for the Four Corners property.

The next PCC meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2019.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Laughlin