

**FINAL**  
**PRINCETON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES FOR MEETING**  
**May 16, 2017**

**Attendance:**

Ron Thompson, Rachael Catlow, John Vieira, Barbara Laughlin, Sue Mitchell, Brian Keevan from the PCC were in attendance, as well as Brett Trowbridge associate member. Brian Keevan called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

**Old Business:**

- A Notice of Intent was filed Mohamed Samoda of 77 Main Street, Princeton, for the installation of an underground propane tank. Mr. Samoda provided a site plan and a wetland delineation report. The PCC would like the plan to be modified to show the wetland line, 100ft wetland buffer, riverfront area and associated 200ft riverfront buffer zone. Continued to a special meeting.
- Ron Thompson, Sue Mitchell, Brian Keevan, Rachael Catlow, and Barbara Laughlin conducted a site visit at 296 Sterling Road on May 11<sup>th</sup> to inspect the wetland remediation including land owner representatives Paula Silvia, Mark Arnold from Goddard Consulting, and BobDibiase. The vegetation looked pretty good. A second visit will be scheduled in the beginning of September to do another inspection.
- A site visit was conducted on Monday May 15<sup>th</sup> by Rachael Catlow, Ron Thompson, John Vieira, Brett Trowbridge, Lindsay Barbie, and Brian Keevan. The group inspected the site location of the proposed constructed wetland, Keyes Brook and the associated wetlands, and the location where BMP were to be conducted near the Sterling Town Line. Updated plans will be submitted prior to the June hearing. The culvert is no longer part of the project scope as there were modifications to the limits of widening.

**New Business:**

- An RDA filed by Dennis Asselin for 31 Redemption Rock Trail for removal of trees. A site walk was held on Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup>. Barbara Laughlin, Ron Thompson, and Brian Keevan were present. The owner wants to remove 10-12 trees within buffer zone. The PCC moved to issue a negative determination of applicability.
- A site visit was conducted by Ron Thompson, Rachael Catlow, Brian Keevan, John Vieira of the PCC and Neil McInnis and Takako Oji at Lot 7-1 Merriam Road. A NOI, DEP File No. 267-0394 was filed for a single family home. The owner, Neil McInnis, submitted a request to withdraw the original NOI 267-0372

The original and updated site plans were presented to the PCC. An Order of Conditions was issued with no special conditions.

**Other Business:**

- Town Pound – some resident interest in assisting with tree cleanup.
- Calamint Hill Trail work – Brett Trowbridge, Brian Keevan and JohnVieria have been flagging wetlands. Have been out twice.
- Ron Thompson is up for reappointment.
- Order of Conditions for 42 Pheasant Hollow – Check
- Updates – Mountainside Market owner has contracted a wetlands scientist to conduct wetlands delineation around the property soon.
- Email from Tom Sullivan, from the Land Trust, Mass Audubon is ready to deed over the 10 acre parcel to the town.
- Emergency Certification – where P&R railroad crosses Hubbardston Road, there's a blocked culvert because of beavers and is causing flooding. P&R wants to replace the culvert. PCC granted it but asked the RR to file a NOI for the culvert replacement. Email was sent on April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Rachael talked about GIS mapping
- John Mirick update. Brian Keevan spoke with John and John stated that he will be submitting a RDA soon. The Environmental Police have been in contact with John Vieira for updates on the situation.
- Brian is drafting a letter about the forest cutting plan on Brooks Station Road and the issue of that site having a perc test.

**Forest Cutting Plan: None**

**Certificate of Compliance: None**

The meeting minutes from April 16 and April 25<sup>th</sup> were accepted with amendments.

The next PCC is scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting ended at 9:40 PM.

Rachael Catlow