

**Salem Conservation Commission
Minutes of Meeting**

Date and Time:	Thursday, March 10, 2016, 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Location:	Third Floor Conference Room, City Hall Annex, 120 Washington Street
Members Present:	Chair Gregory St. Louis, Dan Ricciarelli, Tom Campbell, Tyler Glode
Members Absent:	Bart Hoskins, Gail Kubik
Others Present:	Tom Devine, Conservation Agent
Recorder:	Stacy Kilb

Chair St. Louis calls the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

1. Old/New Business

• 24 Winter Island Road—DEP #64-595—Request for Certificate of Compliance

The Commission reviews the information and photos provided by Devine, who wanted to be sure the Commission has a chance to consider whether the granite pavers are pervious, as required by the order. The owner is present, and his engineer has provided a letter explaining.

The logistics of the trench drain are clarified. The ramp, catch basin, and slab are also discussed with regard to drainage. The street has brand new utilities, but street drainage does not work well, so the applicant has tried to avoid, at their expense, having their water drain onto the street. Additional features, including a filter, are described. The Commission is satisfied that the pavers are pervious.

Devine recommends approval of the Certificate. There are no perpetual conditions.

Chair St. Louis opens to the public but there are no comments.

A motion to approve is made by Dan Ricciarelli, seconded by Tyler Glode, and passes unanimously.

The applicant compliments Tom Devine on his diligence.

• Discussion regarding debris behind 63 Jefferson Avenue

Ricciarelli has a professional conflict so there is no quorum for this issue, so Devine and St. Louis will handle the matter administratively.

• Discussion regarding stockpiled materials at 53 Mason Street

Devine distributes photos. This is next to Salem Suede. He describes the material and its location. He spoke to the contractor and describes how the pile has been moved back temporarily. Pat Hayes of In-Terra describes what they do on site, what the materials stockpiled are, and why materials are stockpiled.

Devine would like to know whether to have the activity stop and clear the materials from the site, or allow it

to continue with controls in place. Ricciarelli asks if the piles are temporary or ongoing. It sounds like they are temporary, but it is directly related to the National Grid work, which is permitted separately. However, In-Terra is considered a supplier to National Grid and not their contractor, so this does not fall under National Grid's order of conditions for the cable project. A discussion of the permitting parameters occurs. The Chair is uncomfortable with the Commission allowing the use if it is not allowed by the building department.

Logistics of the site and the pile are further discussed. Possible control measures are described. The wetlands must be safeguarded, and the Chair feels they should file with the Conservation Commission. If activity ceases and the material is removed, they do not need to file. Commission jurisdiction is described.

Continued operation will require a filing; in the meantime the Chair suggests no less than a 12" straw bale line and silt sacks for any affected catch basins. The block wall alone is not sufficient. Loading of material and volume of material onsite are described. Protections should be kept in place while this is before the Commission. Timing is discussed. This is considered temporary rather than long term. The project is scheduled to be finished in the fall of 2016.

The contractor will contact the Building Department; if they approve of the project, the contractor should file with this Commission, keeping the protections in place all the while. If he does not find it worthwhile to file, the materials must be removed. If the Building Department does not approve, all materials must be removed anyway.

- **Discussion and vote regarding appointment of Conservation Commission member to Community Preservation Committee**

Hoskins was originally appointed by the Commission, and he has indicated that he is happy to continue serving if the Commission wishes.

A motion to nominate Hoskins is made by Ricciarelli, seconded by Glode, and passes unanimously. This is for a three year term.

- **Meeting Minutes—February 11, 2016**

Ricciarelli motions to accept the February 11th minutes, is seconded by Glode, and the motion passes unanimously.

Scott Sheehan, the new Commission member being appointed, introduces himself and provides his professional background. He will be participating at the next meeting.

A motion to adjourn is made by Dan Ricciarelli, seconded by Tyler Glode, and passes unanimously. The meeting ends at 7:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Stacy Kilb
Clerk, Salem Conservation Commission

Approved by the Conservation Commission on April 14, 2016