

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2017

Pursuant to the notice filed with the Town Clerk, the meeting of the Natural Resources Commission was held at 141 Keyes Road, first floor conference room, Concord, MA at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday**, January 4, 2017. The following Commissioners were present: Lynn Huggins, Chair, Jeff Adams, Chip Poutasse, and Judy Zaunbrecher. Delia Kaye, Natural Resources Director, and Natural Resources Administrative Assistant Karen Bockoven were also present.

Chair Huggins opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and the Concord Wetlands Bylaw.

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| Beckman, Keuka Road, LLC, 5A, 6A and 80B Keuka Road, DEP File #137-1371 | 7:00 p.m. |
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CONTINUANCES

Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation Application, Craig and Hope Beckman, Keuka Road, LLC, 5A, 6A and 80B Keuka Road, DEP File #137-1371

Chair Huggins reopened the hearing seeking confirmation by the Natural Resources Commission of the Bordering Vegetated Wetlands delineation and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding elevation.

List of plans and documents discussed at this meeting:

- Resource Area Delineation Plan prepared by Markey & Rubin dated December 22, 2016.

Dan Wells of Goddard Consulting LLC attended tonight's meeting. Mr. Wells explained that the wetland had been previously delineated but he replaced flags to make sure they were legible. Mr. Wells met with Director Kaye and they made a few changes which were agreed to by Mr. Wells and Director Kaye during their site visit. Mr. Wells said the new plan reflects these changes. Mr. Wells said they are no longer requesting confirmation of the floodplain elevation.

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Adams moved to close the hearing and issue an Order of Resource Area Delineation for 5A, 6A, and 80B Keuka Road, DEP File #137-1371 confirming the Bordering Vegetated Wetland delineation as revised. Commissioner Zaunbrecher seconded. All so voted.

CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE

Hall, 120 Laurel Street, DEP File #137-1201

Commissioner Adams moved to issue a Certificate of Compliance for Hall, 120 Laurel Street, DEP File #137-1201. Commissioner Zaunbrecher seconded. All so voted.

OTHER BUSINESS

MACC Letter to Governor Baker Regarding Interstate Gas Pipelines

Chair Huggins suggested that this matter be tabled to the next NRC meeting when all commissioners will be present. Commissioner Poutasse commented that there are still coal plants providing the base load for electricity for New England. Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) is

expensive. Because it is expensive, it is only used for peak loads. LNG can be easily stored and electrical generators that run on LNG are easily turned on and off as needed. Commissioner Poutasse said that solar and wind power cannot provide base power at this time. He said if the intention is to replace coal plants, then something else has to be provided to generate base power and natural gas may be a better alternative.

Director's Report

- Director Kaye said that the request for an Estoppel Certificate for 300 Baker Avenue was withdrawn and the sale has transpired. She will prepare a letter to the property owners that clarifies the restrictions with regard to maintenance, repair and replacement of the existing sewer lines.

Approve Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Zaunbrecher moved to approve the December 21, 2016 NRC meeting minutes, as amended. Commissioner Adams seconded. All so voted.

Commissioner Zaunbrecher moved to adjourn. Commissioner Adams seconded. All so voted. This meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Bockoven
Administrative Assistant