

HAMPDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2004

Meeting Minutes

Members present: Bonnie Geromini, Sheila Thompson, Michael Gerrard, Dick Gouvan, Kim Desmarais (arrived 7:20). Associate Member present: Joe Savoie
Also present: Attorney David Martel for the Town of Hampden.

7:10 pm

Meeting called to order in Melville Room, then moved to large meeting room.

7:25 pm

Minutes of January 12 meeting read - amended replace Gino with Thomas, add Edward(Loiko)correct spelling of Desmarais. Motion made by B.Geromini to accept minutes as amended; seconded by Kim Desmarais; all voted to accept.

7:30 pm

Continuation of Russell Morton/Genevieve Dr. Enforcement Order hearing. Present: Russell Morton, Attorney Karen Jackson, Pete Levesque and Court Reporter from Catuogno Court Reporting Services. Invoice received from Tighe and Bond in amount of \$ 202.50 given to Attorney Jackson for payment within 30 days of billing date(faxed 2/6/04) original copy given to Ms. Jackson. Attorney Jackson recited chronological account of the present situation, some discussion as to who, when, where, how. Covered issuance of enforcement order, site visit, various other communications. Issue of Chairman recusing himself again suggested, again refused. Restoration proposal presented by Pete Levesque. To be submitted to Tighe & Bond for approval. Bond issue discussed: Attorney Jackson proposed a bond amount of 150% of estimate for restoration. One estimate presented. The estimate was for \$5,000.00. resulting in a bond amount of \$7500. Upon reviewing the proposal, it was noted that it included only three boundary markers rather than five as required in the restoration plan. Change was made on estimate sheet by Atty. Jackson and initialed; it was agreed that Mr. Morton would seek 2 additional estimates. The three estimates would then be averaged and the 150% formula would be applied to that average to determine the required bond amount. Following lengthy discussion of lally column placement issue of existing fines, and time needed to complete restoration, they following motions were made and acted on: K. Desmarais moved to table the issue of fines until after April 30. D. Gouvan second. Vote was unanimous. Motion made by K. Desmarais: Pete Levesque to submit revised plans to Sherman & Wood, who would then send on to Tighe & Bond for approval B. Geromini second. Unanimous approval K. Desmarais motion to change installment of boundary markers will be set into ground three feet and extend one foot above finish gradeshrubs to be planted adjacent to markers. S. Thompson second. Unanimous vote in favor B.Geromini motion to change date of restoration completion from April 15 to April 30. seconded all voted yes.

S. Thompson motion to accept restoration proposal dated February 6, 2004 with revisions, contingent upon approval by Tighe & Bond.

D. Gouvan seconded. Unanimous approval

K. Desmarais moved to continue to March 15 - withdrawn

K. Desmarais motion to continue hearing on March 8, 2004 at 7:15 pm for purpose of ratification.

D. Gouvan second. Unanimous acceptance.

9:15 pm

Debra Joy and Melissa Joy / Girl Scout presentation Information was presented and reviewed on new structural material to be used to complete Girl Scout/Senior Center project. Work time on project will be less than 48 hours; minimal disturbance resulting. Commission will be notified prior to commencement of project.

9:25 pm

Jane Culverwell and David Prouix regarding logging project. Also present: Alan Page. All logging has ceased. Property is under Ch. 61 New owners not knowledgeable on requirements. Cutting plan will be submitted/ site visit will be necessary. Motion made by B. Geromini to continue to April meeting. Seconded. Agreed.

9:40 pm Minutes of Special Meeting - January 20, 2004 - motion to accept as read, B. Germoni; Sec., accepted

9:55 pm

Meeting Date set for Public Hearing re: Scantic Meadows/ Ed Speight & Co., Inc. Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday February 24, 2004 at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium at Town Hall.

10:15 pm

Bonnie Geromini - motion to adjourn; Dick Gouvan second. All in favor.

Respectfull submitted

Sheila Thompson, Co- Chairman
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