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HAMPDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

August 20, 2014

Present: Bonnie Geromini, Judy McKinley Brewer, Phil Grant, Ted Zebert, Andrew Netherwood, Tim Hanley absent.

7:00 Bonnie Geromini called the meeting to order at 7:00

7:05 The meeting minutes from the Special Meeting of June 24, 2014, were read. Bonnie Geromini accepted the amended minutes with changes, Phil Grant 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting minutes from the July 16, 2014 were read. Bonnie Geromini accepted the meeting minutes with amended changes. Ted Zebert 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

7:15 Park & Rec. discussed the playscape at Memorial Park. The existing mulch will be removed from the contained area where the current playscape resides and new mulch will be put in. The area will be excavated and re-graded with drainage installed to direct rain, water & snow melt to flow into the existing drainage system of the Spray Park. The rotted pressure treated wood will be replaced with recycled timber to re-construct the existing Kids Castle and re-mulch the area and reinforce or relocate the paver bricks if necessary. They will be removing all material excavated the same day to prevent run off and introduction into the waterway. This will be continued until the next meeting.

Park & Rec. request for the pavilion was re-addressed. They possibly want to move the pavilion away from the stream and do not know yet if they will. An RDA was voted on with a negation #2 with the original request for the pavilion. If they are going to move it from the original place on the basketball court a new WPA Form 1 must be done. Bonnie

Geromini made a motion to accept the RDA for the original request, Ted Zebert 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

7:40 Mr. Zeroogian of Glendale Rd. wants to build a house on the lot at that property. He was told that he could not build where he wants to and would have to file an NOI with the commission in order to do so.

8:00 Several home owners from Ridge Rd. were in attendance to find out what is going on with the proposed home on lot 24. This lot is owned by Boulder Construction. They requested to be notified if anything is going on at that property.

8:25 A call came in from an abutter about what the laws were on taking trees down along the rivers edge. Phil Grant responded to the abutter's call and reported to the Commission what was believed to be a violation on the adjacent property. The property noted is adjacent to Temple Brook and the clearing of all vegetation and trees down to the waters edge was noted. An Enforcement Order will be sent to the Debney's by Certified Mail along with a new NOI to be filled out. A copy of the Enforcement Order will also be sent to DEP by Certified Mail. Bonnie Geromini will make a call to the Environmental Consultant, Michael Macko to make him aware of the problem.

9:05 Bonnie Geromini made a motion to close the meeting, Phil Grant 2nd the motion. All were in favor.