

Town of Auburn, Massachusetts

Minutes of the Meeting

Conservation Commission

Hybrid Meeting

Wednesday, August 23rd, 2023

Members Present in Person: Michael Garland; Chairman, Thomas Fallon; Vice Chair, Meghan Langley, Chris Carey

Members Present Remotely: Katherine Nordborg

Members Absent:, Michelle Culross

Town of Auburn Staff Present: Jesse Averka

Michael Garland, Chairman, called the meeting to order. The meeting was recorded. The meeting could be watched on the town's website live streaming.

Michael Garland, Chairman, stated that this Open Meeting of the Town of Auburn Conservation Commission is being conducted in a hybrid format. Further, all members of public bodies are allowed and encouraged to participate remotely as long as reasonable public access is afforded so that the public can follow along with the deliberations of the meeting.

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All supporting materials that have been provided to members of this body are available on the Town's website. The public is encouraged to follow along using the posted agenda.

Other Business

Certificate of Compliance for 63 Chestnut Ave

The commission made plans to do a site visit the following Saturday and evaluate the work that had been completed.

Walsh Engineering Stormwater Sample

Michael Garland stated that these results were well within the established norms.

16 George St Cease and Desist

Michael Garland stated the week prior **Jesse Averka** had shared pictures with him of wood chips/ woody debris being stored right next to a wetland. **Michael Garland** shared that he had issued a cease and desist on his own authority.

Thomas Fallon made a motion to ratify the cease and desist. **Meghan Langley** seconded the motion.

All in favor 5-0-0

25 Vinal St

Jesse Averka informed the commission that work had been completed at 25 Vinal St. within the buffer zone of a wetland without any filing being in place. **Jesse Averka** shared photos of the site showing the work site, including a silt fence which had been installed around the wetland but was installed incorrectly. **Jesse Averka** also stated that he had been in contact with Auburn DPW and the Auburn Building Department about this issue.

282 Southbridge St.

Jesse Averka informed the commission that the work done at 282 Southbridge St. was supposedly done by Michel's corporation as contracted by National Grid. This information was given by the owner of the property. **Jesse Averka** stated that he would try to get more information on this matter before the commission took any legal action.

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Thomas Fallon made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from August 9th, 2023. **Meghan Langley** seconded the motion.

All in favor 5-0-0

Thomas Fallon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Chris Carey** seconded the motion.

All in favor 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Jesse Averka

Approved on 9/13/2023