

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
JUNE 12, 2017
FIRST FLOOR MEETING ROOM
7:00 PM**

Commission Members Present: Donald Ward, III, Chairman
Arthur Batacchi, Jr.
Cheryl Blackburn
Theodore Pitman

Commission Members Not Present: Jeffrey Collingwood

Others Present: Jill Hughes, Clerk
Members of the public (see sign in sheet)

Chairman Ward called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Public Hearing: Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Lydon Developments LLC, for property on 1861 North Main Street. The proposed project is site preparation for construction of a 4,800 square ft. repair shop building. Dominic Lydon was present. The Commission conducted a site visit prior to the meeting. The Commission reviewed the plans for the project and a discussion ensued. **A. Batacchi, Jr. motioned, with a second from C. Blackburn to issue a Negative Determination #3 with the following conditions: (1) Commissioners are allowed to monitor activity during construction. (2) Any activity in the 50-foot buffer be limited. The motion passed 4-0.**

Public Hearing: Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Bill Hilton, for property on 403 South Undermountain Road. The proposed project is invasive species removal along the western margin of landscape and into adjacent woodland, native woody shrubs and perennial wildflowers to be installed in woodland edge and swale area. Plantings will be installed on the edges of the pond and a rain garden is proposed at the foot of the swale. Tom Ingersoll from Ingersoll Land Care was present. The Commission conducted a site visit prior to the meeting. Mr. Ingersoll handed out a plant list for the Commission to review. He explained the work that will be done, which is mostly hand work. They may need a mini-excavator to pull out a woody shrub. Composted wood chips will be used and straw wattles will be placed for erosion control. The Commission reviewed the site plans and a discussion ensued. **T. Pitman motioned, with a second from A. Batacchi, Jr. to issue a Negative Determination #3 with the following conditions: (1) Use wattles or other erosion control. (2) Note: Plant list has been submitted as part of documentation (attached). The motion passed 4-0.**

Request for Certificate of Compliance for Patrick and Donna Annunziata (DEP File #281-162, 514 Rannapo Road. Chairman Ward deferred this to the next meeting. A site visit will be scheduled.

Complaint received regarding 1375 North Main Street. The Commission received a letter May 25, 2017 from an abutter of the property where the work is being conducted. Chairman Ward did a site visit to check that the owner is in compliance with the Order of Conditions that was issued by the Commission. Chairman Ward informed the Commission that the owner is in compliance.

Approval of Minutes: The Commission reviewed draft minutes from April 24, 2017. *A. Batacchi, Jr. motioned, with a second from T. Pitman to approve the April 24, 2017 minutes as written. The motion passed 4-0.*

The Commission reviewed draft minutes from May 8, 2017. *T. Pitman motioned, with a second from D. Ward to approve the May 8, 2017 minutes as written. The motion passed 4-0.*

Bills Pending: The Commission reviewed and signed a bill.

Review of Forest Cutting Plans: The Commission reviewed a Forest Cutting Plan for E. Grossman for property on Bow Wow Road.

Upcoming Conferences and Mail: The Commission reviewed the flyer for the upcoming event for the Sheffield Land Trust.

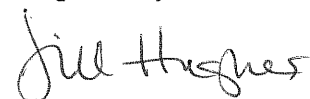
Public Comment: There were no public inquiries.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Commission this evening, *A. Batacchi, Jr. motioned, with a second from C. Blackburn to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4-0.*

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

The following documents were reviewed during the Board's meeting and have been retained as required by the Massachusetts Public Retention Policy: Meeting Agenda, Sign in sheet, Draft meeting minutes 4/24/17 and 5/8/17, RDA Applications for Lydon Developments LLC and Bill Hilton, Certificate of Compliance request for Annunziata, 5/25/17 letter regarding 1375 North Main Street, Sheffield Land Trust flyer, Forest Cutting Plan for Grossman.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jill Hughes
Recording Secretary

Sheffield Conservation Commission

Date: June 12, 2017

	Name – PLEASE PRINT	Street, Town
1.	James C Lydon	5 Long Pond Rd. W. Stodden Ave
2.	Tom Ingersoll	506 SHEFFIELD PLAIN, SHEFFIELD
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