

WEST TISBURY  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
January 24, 2017

**Present:** John Brannen, Prudy Burt, Whit Griswold, Binnie Ravitch, Peter Rodegast, Michael Turnell, and Tara Whiting

**Staff Present:** Maria McFarland

**Also present for all or part of the meeting:** Carly Look and Peyton Wallace

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 P.M. Tara Whiting, Chairman presiding.

The minutes of the January 10, 2017 meeting were approved as revised. Vote: 5-0-2. Binnie and Michael abstained.

**Continued Public Hearing:**

**Map 31 Lot 3/ SE79- SE79- 75/677 Old County Road:** public hearing under the requirements of G.L. Ch.131 § 40, as amended and the West Tisbury Wetlands Protection Bylaw and regulations to consider a **Notice of Intent** filed by Sourati Engineering Group LLC on behalf of David Burt for a project to regrading and landscaping within the Riverfront Area and landscaping within 100 feet of a bordering vegetated wetland. Prudy recused herself from participating in this hearing.

Members reviewed the revised site plan now showing two 25 foot buffer strips and a 5 foot wide path for access to a stand of blueberry bushes in the bordering vegetated wetland. Granite or concrete markers will be placed on site to delineate the buffer strip so that no mowing will take place in this area.

The letter from the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program had no comment on the project.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the project as amended with a special condition for erosion control measures as shown on the plan. All in favor.

**New Business:**

**Grant Application: Culvert Replacement:** Tara reported that the Selectmen agreed to have the Conservation Commission submit a grant application for a project to collect field data on a possible project to replace the Witch Brook culvert on North Road. Members reviewed the draft application. After some editing a motion was made and seconded to submit the application to the Division of Ecological Restoration on behalf of the Highway Department. All in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Map 11 Lots 36 & 37/Silva-Peters: Certificate of Compliance:** Prudy asked that a letter be sent to the Peters reminding them that they must finish the work on the driveway and remove the erosion control barriers.

**Administrative:**

**2016 Annual Report:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2016 Annual Report as revised. All in favor.

**Warrant Article:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the warrant article for the continuance of the revolving fund for bylaw fees. All in favor.

**Correspondence:**

In: Email from Sheriff's Meadow Foundation dated January 10 re: Nat's Farm Grey Barn/Lease

MVC Notice of Public Hearing on 2/2/17 re: Designation of Manter's Path as special way  
Map 31 Lot 3: Letter from NHESP dated 1/13/17  
TRI letters for Map 11 Lot 11 and Map 16 Lot 96.1

There being no new business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 6: 15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria McFarland  
Board Administrator  
APPROVED