

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY September 22, 2025
RESOURCE ROOM
6:30 PM
A G E N D A

Approved 11/3/2025

Jim Foran called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

- **Attendance – Vice chair Jim Foran, Mark Mungear (joined later in the meeting), Brendan Doyle, Josiah Burch, Kate Thompson, Brandon Faneuf Conservation Agent**
- **Absent – Mike Greco**
- **Meeting Minutes: June 2, 2025, June 16, 2025 & July 7, 2025 – Possible Votes**
Skipped over the meeting minutes.

New Business:

1. **(0:50 TS) 6:30 PM (NOI – DEP #143-11xx) PUBLIC HEARING: Notice of Intent: Sunam Tamang, 17 Arnold Rd, (Septic Repair), Map 284 Lot 87 – Possible Votes**
Applicant Requested Continuation to October 6, 2025
**There was no motion to continue the public hearing.

Old Business

2. **(1:35 TS) 6:30 PM (NOI – DEP #143-1121) PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED: Notice of Intent: Douglas Highway, Maple Street & ROW, (Road/Drainage Improvements), Map/Lot NA – Possible Votes**
Dave Glenn and Lori Benoit with Stantec representing the applicant and they wanted to submit a written response for the commission's comments and DEP comments. Mr. Glenn went over their responses for both in detail, Brandon Faneuf the Conservation Agent responded that they have answered to his satisfaction every question the commission and DEP have had and he recommends closing the public hearing and moving onto a vote. Jim Foran declared the public hearing closed.
(15:30 TS) Motion to approve the notice of intent for DEP # 143-1121, Douglas Highway, Maple Street & ROW with standard special conditions as proposed, made by Josiah Burch, 2nd by Kate Thompson. Roll call vote – Josiah Burch, Kate Thompson, Brendan Doyle, Jim Foran all in favor.
3. **(17:30 TS) 6:30 PM (NOI – DEP #143-1122) PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED: Notice of Intent: Steve Flagg, 3 Hough Rd, (Single Family Home), Map 111 Lot 44 – Possible Votes**
Steve Flagg present and Scott Jordan with Ecotec remotely to present the requested minor plan revisions. They reduced the driveway area behind the garage and added a cape cod berm for runoff concern and the drainage is pitched to drain to the south. Brandon Faneuf showed the revised plans and recommended that if the requested plantings are not going to be shown on the

plan that a special condition be made that the species be approved by the Conservation Agent before being put in the ground and went over other special conditions requested. The applicant is agreeable to the special conditions, and they still have to get Board of Health approval but they have filed already and were approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The members discussed whether to approve before BOH approves.

(35:00 TS) Motion to close the public hearing for DEP #143-1122, made by Jim Foran, 2nd by Josiah Burch. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Jim Foran all in favor, Josiah Burch opposed, the vote passed.

(38:25 TS) Motion to approve the notice of intent for Steve Flagg, DEP #143-1122 with the special conditions that the construction notes have the removal of the existing deck and concrete pad happening prior to construction and prior to the plantings going in and species decided on they discuss with the Conservation Commission and Agent, made by Kate Thompson, 2nd by Brendan Doyle. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Jim Foran all in favor, Josiah Burch opposed, the vote passed.

Certificate of Compliance & Extensions

4. **(41:45 TS) Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP #143-1027), Kara Brink & Anthony Terlizzi, 2 Makowski Drive, Map 268 Lot 10** – Possible Votes
Paul D. Simone with Colonial Engineering to discuss the request, Brandon Faneuf stated that they did do a site visit and the only comment was that they would need an end of the growing season report for the replication area.
(45:05 TS) Motion for a partial approval of the certificate of compliance for DEP #143-1027, 2 Makowski Dr, made by Brendan Doyle, 2nd by Kate Thompson. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Josiah Burch, Jim Foran all in favor.
5. **(46:10 TS) Request for Certificate of Compliance (File #DG24-041), Anthony & Megan Fierro, 134 Yew St, Map 222 Lot 39.3** – Possible Votes
Megan Fierro went through what had been done on the project. Brandon Faneuf showed the plans, he went over Sam Carew's comments for the property, and they went over the revisions to the plan.
(51:25 TS) Motion to accept the certificate of compliance for file #DG24-041, 134 Yew St, made by Josiah Burch, 2nd by Kate Thompson. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Josiah Burch, Jim Foran all in favor.
6. **(53:35 TS) Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP #143-1086), Don McCallum, 209 Southwest Main St, Map 227 Lot 34** – Possible Votes
Mark Allen, with Allen Engineering representing the applicant, Brandon Faneuf went over the comments from Sam Carew about the gravel parking area being slightly larger than the plan shows and Mr. Allen confirmed that he does not think this will have a negative impact on the wetlands. Sam Carew's recommendation is to approve a full certificate of compliance.

(59:40 TS) Motion to approve the full certificate of compliance for DEP #143-1086, 209 SW Main St, made by Brendan Doyle, 2nd by Kate Thompson. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Josiah Burch, Jim Foran all in favor.

7. **(1:00:35 TS) Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP #143-1095), Tim & Beth Lonergan, 278 Northwest Main St, Map 159 Lot 8** – Possible Votes
Mark Allen with Allen Engineering representing the applicant to discuss any questions, Brandon Faneuf stated that Sam Carew's only comment was that erosion controls be removed and recommend a complete certificate of compliance.

(1:02:05 TS) Motion to approve the certificate of compliance for DEP #143-1095, 278 NW Main St, made by Brendan Doyle, 2nd by Josiah Burch. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Josiah Burch, Jim Foran all in favor.

8. **(1:03:30 TS) Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP #143-0621), John Bombara, 288 Northwest Main St, Map 144 Lot 11** – Possible Votes
John Bombara is present to discuss any questions and issues. Brandon Faneuf stated that Sam Carew's comments are: needs engineer's letter, did not have original site plan to compare with as-built. The letter is to confirm that the project was built in compliance with the order of conditions, stamped and certified form the engineer.

(1:06:30 TS) Motion to accept the certificate of compliance for DEP #143-0621, 288 NW Main St, made by Josiah Burch.

There was discussion back and forth whether they need the letter and they would like to hear from the Conservation Agent whether they could waive this request without repercussions. Brandon Faneuf the Conservation Agent explained what is needed and why they ask/require it to be submitted and stated the worst thing that could happen if the letter is not given DEP could red flag it. John Bombara stated that he will get the letter from the engineer.

(1:16:55 TS) They revised the motion and there was no 2nd to the motion, so Jim Foran declared it continued to the next meeting.

9. **(1:17:15 TS) Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP #143-0967), Douglas Renewables LLC, 170 West Street, Map 160 Lot 2** – Possible Votes
Nick Santangelo with Beal & Thomas representing the applicant, and Brandon Faneuf gave an overview of the project and stated that there was a wetland replication area near the road that needed to be done and that it is full of plants and is 100% covered with wetland vegetation. Brandon Faneuf showed photos of the site, Brandon Faneuf's recommendation is to issue a complete certificate of compliance.

(1:27:15 TS) Mark Mungeam joined the meeting.

(1:27:20 TS) Motion to issue a complete certificate of compliance for DEP #143-0967 for Douglas Renewables LLC, 170 West St, made by Brendan Doyle, 2nd by Kate Thompson. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Josiah Burch, Jim Foran all in favor.

Cease & Desist

10. (1:28:55 TS) Alleged Violation – South Street – Ryan & Morgan Norton

– Possible Votes

Brandon Faneuf stated that they received a complaint for unauthorized clearing of trees and ground disturbance within the buffer and potentially bordering vegetated wetlands and bank of stream and its 100-foot buffer zone and the 200-foot riverfront area. Mr. Faneuf showed the cease and desist letter that was sent out on September 4, 2025, they did not perform an inspection because there was no application. Ryan Norton joined the table, stated that he has been doing some tree clearing for safety purposes for his horses, was unaware of any wetlands violation, and would do what he would need to do to correct it. Brandon Faneuf showed aerial views of the property for viewing, and he asked if the property owner would allow him to come to do a site visit to assess it and come back in two weeks to discuss the situation with more knowledge. Mr. Norton also asked if there is something that might be able to be done about the current drainage issues that seem to be from rain that affects his property and his neighboring properties that has current litigation from it. Mr. Norton agreed to Brandon Faneuf or Sam Carew to do a site visit to his property. The Nortons discussed the property being a commercial farm and how it becoming an agricultural site will change the lens of what they are dealing with.

11. (1:54:50 TS) Alleged Violation – 11 Laurel Hill Road – Jim & Amanda Hampson – Possible Votes

Brandon Faneuf stated that Sam Carew went out to site area and viewed from the road and said it looks like there is a wetland area behind the property. Jim Hampson stated that he currently has permits for an addition to his home that will be in the area that he has cleared. Brandon Faneuf asked Mr. Hampson if he would give permission for either himself or his assistant Sam Carew to visit his property and confirm or deny if the complaint is legitimate as far as wetlands. Mr. Hampson stated that he is in agreement with them coming to his property.

Enforcement Orders

12. (2:04:20 TS) Lakeshore Drive Enforcement Order – No new updates.

Other

• (2:04:40 TS) Unauthorized Activity – Open Space Committee – Possible Votes

There was a path created in the woods in either the wetlands or the buffer zone of the wetlands without review from the Conservation Commission. Sue from the Open Space Committee stated that they did not know there was wetlands because they did not see water and that it is the conservation area on Chestnut Street, Brandon Faneuf shared the aerial photos of the site. Brandon Faneuf stated that they have two options to either leave it alone or let it grow back or submit an application to create the path.

(2:16:35 TS) Motion to adjourn the meeting, made by Josiah Burch, 2nd by Brendan Doyle. Roll call vote – Brendan Doyle, Kate Thompson, Josiah Burch, Jim Foran all in favor.

Upcoming Meetings: October 6, 2025 & October 20, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

Stephenie Gosselin