

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2010 MEETING

A meeting of the Longmeadow Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:00PM on August 11, 2010, in the Conference Room located at the Longmeadow Police Station.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Albert Laakso, James Simon, Peter Bouvier, John Bresnahan and new voting member, Michael Schneider; Absent: Stephen Gazillo and James Wheeler.

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen & Joseph Egan, Athene Zaleski.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: The minutes of July 14, 2010 were accepted as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salary account: \$6688.95; Maintenance \$1000; Misc. \$382.00. \$100 was donated to the Ct. River Watershed Council.

RDA – 99 SILVER BIRCH ROAD: Joseph and Karen Egan reviewed their request for determination to remove several trees on their property. The Chair, Al Laakso suggested to Mr. & Mrs. Egan that they request to correct the RDA. Under Section B, #1: add Longmeadow; uncheck B; C & D are correct as checked; under #3a: uncheck single house etc. Some of the trees are 100' from the wetlands and are close to the house, some hanging over the roof, and some are behind the enclosed pool and patio. Mr. & Mrs. Egan submitted for the file a proposal by Arborist, Don Pease. The trees have been marked by Mr. Pease. A site visit was scheduled for Friday, August 13, 2010 at 8:30 A.M. The hearing will be continued to August 25th.

PIONEER VALLEY YACHT CLUB – The yacht club asked the Commission to approve the use of the Riverfront Conservation area for temporary parking for one day as they are having a Regatta. The area is a gated facility and would need to be unlocked. The key would be obtained from the Conservation secretary. Motion was made to grant approval to the Pioneer Valley Yacht Club for one day parking on September 11th with the conditions to clean up the area and to use a member of the yacht club to monitor the traffic. The motion passed with 4 approvals and 1 recusal by Michael Schneider. Chair, Al Laakso will notify the President of the yacht club.

OTHER BUSINESS: There is a hold on the determination of the RDA for 39 Morgan Ridge at Glenmeadow.

Thom Martens of the DPW has prepared a Restoration Plan for the Meadows; he will propose it at a future meeting.

Chair, Al Laakso announced that the last picnic table at the Riverfront Conservation land has been stolen. Five tables have been lost in the last several years. The theft was reported to the Police Department.

OTHER BUSINESS CONT'D:

POMEROY PLOT BARN: The barn is in very poor condition and has been condemned by the Fire Department. The Elm tree behind the barn is dead and will be removed in the fall. Chair, Al Laakso will contact Robin Crosbie, Town Administrator, for advice on what to do with the barn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Esther Moomjian, Secretary