



# TOWN OF PALMER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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## MEETING MINUTES

### TUESDAY JANUARY 7, 2014 @ 7:00 PM

**Members Present:** Robert Ring (Chair)  
Donald Duffy (Vice Chair)  
Dennis Cote  
Peter Izyk  
Angela Panaccione (Agent)

**Members Absent:**

**Also Present:** Charlie Blanchard (Town Manager)  
Attorney Charles F. Ksieniewicz (Town Counselor)

**Meeting Opens:** 7:00 PM – Robert Ring (Chair)

**7:00 PM Administrative Matters: Minute Approval – December 3, 2013**

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**Motion made by Donald Duffy to accept the minutes from Tuesday December 3, 2013**

**Motion seconded by Peter Izyk**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0**

**7:10 PM Request for Determination of Applicability – Jean Duquette; 78 Beech Street**

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A Request for a Determination of Applicability, submitted by Jean Duquette of 215 Barry Street, Feeding Hills MA, for the proposed work that will entail the addition of a 14' X 30' deck, with 4 -12" diameter sonotube footings, at 78 Beech Street in Palmer, MA 01069. The proposed work will occur within the 100-foot buffer zone of Lake Thompson (the proposed edge of the deck will be approximately 26-feet from the bank of Lake Thompson); protected under the Wetlands Protection Act and the Town of Palmer Wetlands Ordinance. All work is located within previously disturbed lawn and all work will be completed by hand. There is no proposed slope work, grading, tree removal or work outside of the existing lawn. The location of the proposed project is 78 Beech Street, and is also known as: Map 24-55. Robert Ring opened the public meeting and no public was present.

**Motion made by Dennis Cote to close the Public Meeting for 78 Beech Street and issue a Negative Determination, Box 3 with conditions; finding the work is not subject to either the WPA or the PWO**

**Motion seconded by Peter Izyk**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0– Motion Carries**

**7:15 PM Cont. Notice of Intent – JNB Property Investments; 249 Ware Street**

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A Notice of Intent submitted by Sherman & Frydryk c/o Joseph Gulluni, of J N B Property Investment Inc., for the proposed site re-development including the reconstruction of a fire destroyed two bedroom home, with associated septic system replacement, and the replacement of a residential (single family) driveway located at

249 Ware Street, Palmer, MA. The proposed site redevelopment is entirely within the 100- foot wetland buffer zone and will require 12,189 SF of disturbance within the 100-foot wetland buffer zone. The proposed project is located at 249 Ware Street, Palmer, MA 01069, and is also known as: Map 81-22. Robert Ring re-opened the hearing and no public was present.

**Motion made by Peter Izyk to close the Public Hearing**

**Motion seconded by Donald Duffy**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0– Motion Carries**

**Motion made by Peter Izyk to issue the Order of Conditions**

**Motion seconded by Donald Duffy**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0– Motion Carries**

**7:20 PM      Administrative Matters: Cottages at Forest Lake**

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The Agent discussed the meeting she had today with representatives for the Cottages at Forest Lake, with the Commission. The project will consist of the development of seasonal cottages, with improved beach area and access. The main concerns for Conservation are the beach work and impacts to Land Under Water; including the beach restoration and nourishment, as well as the removal of debris and reconstruction of docks.

**7:30 PM      Administrative Matters: Increase in Hours Proposal**

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The Commission discussed the various reasons for requesting an increase in hours for the Agent position. The current 10 hours a week is not sufficient to deal with the large-scale project occurring in Palmer.

**Motion made by Dennis Cote to send a letter to the Town Manager, requesting an increase in hours for the Agent, to 25/week**

**Motion seconded by Peter Izyk**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0**

**7:35 PM      Executive Session: Lamothe Violation & Litigation– 103 Water Street**

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**Motion made by Donald Duffy to enter an executive session at 7:35 PM**

**Motion seconded by Dennis Cote**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0 – Motion Carries**

**Motion made by Donald Duffy to exit the executive session at 8:35 PM**

**Motion seconded by Dennis Cote**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0 – Motion Carries**

**Motion made by Donald Duffy to approve the settlement agreement as discussed and revised at tonight's executive session**

**Motion seconded by Peter Izyk**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0 – Motion Carries**

**Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 2, 2014 at 7 PM**

**9:00 PM      Meeting Adjourned**

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**Motion made by Donald Duffy to adjourn**

**Motion seconded by Dennis Cote**

**No further discussion – vote taken: 4-0-0– Motion Carries**

Sincerely Submitted,  
Angela Panaccione, Agent