

**Palmer Conservation Commission  
MEETING AGENDA**

**JUNE 2, 2020**

6:30 p.m.

Residents are asked to call in or use your computer to Participate in this Meeting

Members: Donald Blais, Jr. (Chair), Dorothy Lawrence (Vice Chair), Peter Izyk, David Cotter, Nicholas Zeo, Brenda Cole, Mike Swiatek, Angela Panaccione (Conservation Agent/Stormwater Coordinator), Sarah Fortune (Conservation Assistant)

*Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Palmer Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found below. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the Town of Palmer website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.*

**The Conservation Commission meeting will be held via a Zoom Meeting (Internet)**  
**Public Participation via calling in or using your computer is encouraged**

**To Join the Zoom Meeting:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4212328120?pwd=ckgwUFlKaUhsUU5qWGk3b2ZRYs9DUT09>

**To call in: 1-646-558-8656; Meeting ID: 421 232 8120; (Please Call or email the Conservation Agent for the Passcode – (413) 222-4934 or conservation@townofpalmer.com)**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Chair, Member & Committee Reports**

**3. Review Mail/Phone Messages**

- a. WQC Replacement of the US 20 bridge on the Monson-Palmer town line over the Quaboag River
- b. DEP & Governor Declaration on Permitting
- c. Columbia Gas Repair - South Main Street at Stone Street
- d. MCER 2020 YOP VMP
- e. NECR 2020 YOP VMP

**4. Public Inquiries**

**5. Approval of Minutes**

- a. 3/17/2020

**6. Approval of Payables**

**7. Signing of Documents (DOA, OOC, COC, Ext, Etc.)**

**8. Schedule of Public Hearings**

- a. 7:00 PM Notice of Intent (NOI) DEP #256-0343 – 116 Nipmuck Street (Map 2 Lot 52): The applicant submitted a Notice of Intent for activities associated with the construction of a detached garage and extension of a driveway with associated site work. The work is proposed within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW), and the locally protected 50-foot vegetated buffer strip to BVW.
- b. 7:00 PM Notice of Intent (NOI) DEP #256-0344 – 319 River Street (Map 30 Lot 72): The applicant submitted a Notice of Intent for activities associated with the construction of a SFH with associated site work (well, septic). The work is proposed

within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW), and the locally protected 50-foot vegetated buffer strip to BVW.

- c. 7:00 PM Request for Determination (RDA) – CSX 5 Year VMP (CSX Right-of-Way): The applicant is requesting confirmation of wetland boundaries along the railroad Right-of-Way mainline in Palmer in order to avoid wetland impacts during vegetation management under the railroad's Vegetation Management Plan. No work is proposed within 10-feet of wetland resource areas.
- d. 7:00 PM Request for Determination (RDA) – 44 French Drive (Map 68 Lot 63): The applicant is requesting a determination to see if the work associated with the removal of seven (7) trees is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act and the Palmer Wetlands Protection Ordinance.
- e. 7:00 PM Notice of Intent (NOI) DEP #256-0345 – MA DOT 250 & 358 Shearer Street (Map 12 Lot 32 & Map 13-68): The applicant submitted a Notice of Intent for activities associated with emergency repairs to the Mongo Pond dam to avoid additional damage to the I-90 access ramp roadway embankment. The work is proposed within Bank, Land Under Water, and the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands associated with Dumplin Brook.
- f. 7:00 PM Notice of Intent (NOI) DEP #256-0346 – Bondsville Water District Thorndike Street/RT-181 (Map): The applicant submitted a Notice of Intent for activities associated with the installation of a new water main and pressure reducing valve along Sykes Street and Fuller Road. The work is proposed within the Riverfront Area to the Ware River, within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to wetlands, and within and the locally protected 50-foot vegetated buffer strip to wetlands. The project site is located at Palmer Street in Palmer, MA 01069, and is also known as: Map 24 Lot N/A.

**9. Requests for Certificate of Compliance**

- a. DEP # 256-0331: 271 Breckenridge Street – Borrego Solar
- b. DEP # 256-0234: 573 Old Warren Road (Map 21 Lot 7)
- c. DEP # 256-0236: 573 Old Warren Road (Map 21 Lot 7)

**10. Project Monitoring**

- a. L 65 Bennett Street
- b. DEP # 256-0342: Forest lake Demo
- c. DEP # 256-0248: Quaker Lane COC

**11. Violations & Enforcement**

- a. DEP #256-0332: 153 Breckenridge Street
- b. Fargon Ave Dock
- c. 104 Beech Street

**12. New/Old Business**

- a. Approval of the spending of funds FY 2021
- b. Land Donation Flynt Street – Title Certification
- c. MVP Grant 2020
- d. Master Plan Update
- e. Rain Barrel/Compost Bin Program
- f. 2020 Bac-T sampling dates
- g. Boy Scout Work Day

**13. Set Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

**14. Office Closed:**

**The items listed which may be discussed at the meeting are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.**

**\*If you are here to speak on an agenda item we ask that you wait until the agenda item comes up for discussion. All other comments are welcome at that time**

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