

Whately Conservation Commission
Wednesday, November 15, 2023
Zoom Remote Public Meeting

Commissioners present: Andrew Ostrowski, Ann Barker, Montserrat Archbald, George Owens, and Scott Jackson (chair)

Commissioners absent:

Others present: Ewan and Arlene Mikolajczuk

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

1. Ewan and Arlene Mikolajczuk requested guidance from the Conservation Commission on their intention to construct a gravel road to provide access to a shed and a site for processing firewood at their home at 15 Swamp Road. The proposed gravel access road at would be approximately 130 feet from the Mill River. Commission Chair Jackson explained that the land within 200-feet of the Mill River is protected by the MA Wetlands Protection Act. Advice was given as to the process and performance standards that would apply in order to get Conservation Commission approval for the road. Jackson stated that he would send to the Mikolajczuks, via email, the Notice of Intent form and instructions for completing the form, and indicated that they were welcome to contact him if they had questions.
2. The Commission voted unanimously (5-0) to accept the minutes from the October 18, 2023 meeting.
3. Updates and other business:
None

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Jackson