

APPROVED

**ADAMS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 4, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman James Fassell, and Members Natasha Bordeaux, David Lipinski, Jeffery Randall, Stephen Melito, and Matthew Burdick.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Kate Wilkins, Tighe & Bond; and Brian Rhodes, iBerkshires.com; Eammon Coughlin

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Fassell called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The chairman acknowledged that as of November 1, 2021 member Robinson had retired from the board.

The Chairman gave insight on the occupations of the members of the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Commission moved to table the meeting approval of the minutes of August 26, 2021 to the next meeting.

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE: filed by Tighe & Bond on behalf of the New England Power Company requesting the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance (COC) for work conducted in compliance with an Order of Conditions (OOC) (MassDEP File #086-0143) issued by the Adams Conservation Commission on May 22, 2018.

Chairman Fassell began the meeting by introducing a representative from Tighe & Bond, Kate Wilkins.

Ms. Wilkins described the project to provide context to the board. Ms. Wilkins explained that the company had to replace a structure that was at risk of losing it to the Hoosic river. The structure was moved in 2018 with the project taking until now to be considered completed because of the time taken to properly mend the river bank.

No Comments from DEP were received by the Town.

No Questions from the Commission.

Member Stephan Melito Expressed Gratitude for the company leaving the place "Better than they found it".

A motion by Member Lipinski, seconded by Member Randall, to issuance of a COC for the work conducted in compliance with the OOC, passed unanimously.

NOTICE OF PROJECT CHANGE: On behalf of the New England Power Company (NEP), Tighe & Bond is submitting a Notice of Project Change (NPC) for the Hoosic River Structure Replacement Project (EEA #16273).

Kate Wilkins explained the project and why it was pursued. Ms. Wilkins explained that while the project of repairing the structure mentioned previously that the NEP looked into and started to pursue a project where the company would strengthen the protection of other structures near the Hoosic River. As the company continued looking at the situation they reevaluated their plans as to how they would like to do that now the plan is moving two structures (86 and 85) further away from the river instead of the previous plan of putting sheet pile cells around various structures.

NEW BUSINESS:

The next meeting is expected to discuss the Greylock Glen NOI as well as the Cook Street NOI.

OLD BUSINESS:

Davis St. Culvert Replacement Project- Northern Construction to begin November 8.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A motion by Member Lipinski, seconded by Member Bordeaux for Conservation Commission meetings to begin at 6 P.M. going forward, passed unanimously

The Commission offered its thanks to Former Member Robinson

REVIEW MAIL:

Berkshire Conservation District- Letter regarding new legislation relative to the regulation of plant nutrients

SET NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting date will tentatively be December 2, 2021.

ADJOURN: A motion by Member Melito, seconded by Member Lipinski, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M., passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Recording Secretary

3/18/22

Date