Conservation Commission Meeting Sharon Community Center November 3, 2016 - DRAFT

Meredith Avery, acting Chair and Jon Wasserman were the members present. There was no quorum as Peg Arguimbau, Linda Orel, Alan Westman, Stephen Cremer and Keevin Geller were not present. The Conservation Administrator, Greg Meister, was present.

A sign-in sheet is on file in the office listing other attendees of the meeting.

The following reflects a discussion which took place but as there were only 2 Commission members present, no action was taken, nor was any action required.

7:45 PM – Salvation Army – Repair to retaining wall located along Massapoag Ave.

The attending members heard from the Salvation Army regarding their plan to repair the retaining rock wall located along Massapoag Ave which is in disrepair. No formal vote was required on this request as maintenance and repair work can be exempted from a formal filing.

The retaining wall is located at the main entrance on Massapoag Ave. Approximately 50 linear feet of the wall is collapsing. They would like to repair the retaining wall before any serious damage occurs.

A lot plan was passed out to members (on file). The plan showed the location of the wall, and the nearby creek. The Salvation Army would like to begin repairs to the wall as soon as possible. They plan on using the existing boulders to rebuild the wall. Most likely a small excavator will be needed. They do not plan on stockpiling (with the exception of some stones and sand needed for the re-building of the wall), instead putting the debris immediately into a dump truck. Most of the damage to the wall was most likely caused by nearby trees. The wall is about 46 inches above grade with a small portion below grade. Work should take approximately one week to complete, depending upon the weather. A tarp will be put over the sand and rocks to prevent any drifting.

Meister wanted to note for the record that though this project is located within the buffer, it is different from other projects for several reasons: 1) concern with the weather and delay of waiting an additional two weeks, 2) this project is considered a repair for which an exemption can be made. Any additional work to the wall will require a "formal" filing.

The rest of the agenda was tabled until there is a quorum.

Avery and Wasserman signed warrant, Certificate of Compliance for 12 Deborah Sampson and acceptance of a grant of land located at 635R Bay Road (additional signatures are needed)

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for November 17

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm