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## Meeting Minutes - July 27, 2017 - Williamsburg Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners present: Marcianna Caplis, Andrew MacLachlan, Joe Rogers, Mary Dudek

Members of public present: Alan Weiss, Emily Stockman, David Nehring, Rob and Jessica Lockwood.

Alan Weiss represented Ken Botnick and Karen Werner for the RDA related to plans for new construction of single-family home at 40 Adams Road. Site visit information gathered by Commissioners Rogers, MacLachlan, and Dudek on Monday 7-24-17 was reviewed and discussed, along with materials and information provided by Alan Weiss. Some construction disturbance is planned for areas within the wetland buffer zone but no permanent construction. Motion made for a negative 2 determination to the RDA by commissioner Rogers; seconded by Dudek and approved by all attending.

Emily Stockman, for David Nehring, presented the second draft of the restoration plan for 16 Walpole Road (Valley View Farm). Changes to the first draft suggested by the Conservation Commission were discussed. The commissioners offered preliminary approval to the plan, contingent on the time to review the complete plan in detail. Simultaneously, E. Stockman will submit the plan to the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program for their review. Once an approved document is returned by the NHESP, the Williamsburg Conservation Commission will review the plan for final action.

Rob Lockwood provided a proposed restoration plan to comply with an enforcement order issued by the Commission for his property at 45 Mountain Street. The Commission approved the plan, including a change to allow existing and naturally seeding vegetation to provide the needed site protection instead of the previously stipulated condition of planting new native vegetation. The site work will be performed by Rob Lockwood, who promised to complete the work by September 1, 2017. All present agreed to a site visit on Monday, September 11, at 5:00.

Mr. Lockwood also asked for advice on developing a NOI for planned work to replace a decaying and partially clogged culvert running under this driveway just off Mountain Street.

Discussion took place regarding the July 6 site visit to 7 Depot Road and issuance of an emergency certification for beaver issues. The Commission discussed the owner's options, which most likely will result in her submitting a NOI for any future beaver dam removal. Commissioners discussed scheduling site visits to the Dunphy School to assess success of the landscaping for a potential Certificate of Completion, and to 17 Hyde Hill Road to assess the second growing season of plantings in the restoration plan. Commission will follow-up with the town health agent regarding discharge into the Mill River from 32 Goshen Road.

Mary Dudek made a motion to accept the minutes of July 13, 2017, as amended. Andrew MacLachlan seconded. Approval was unanimous. Joe Rogers, with Mary's second, made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:55 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2017.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew MacLachlan Williamsburg Conservation Commission