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Meeting Minutes  
November 9, 2023  
via Zoom

Commissioners present – Mary Dudek, Melinda McCall, Joe Rogers

Members of the public present – Glenda Cresto, David Torci, Adam Christie

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

**RDA:** tree removal at 10 Petticoat Hill Road, Glenda Cresto and David Torci. The owners are addressing an issue on a steep hillside leading down to the west branch of the Mill River. A large tree has fallen towards the river, but has snagged on a different tree, threatening to bring that one down as well. The situation has the potential to destabilize the hillside and cause erosion. In addition, there is a walking path along the river that is used by the public. The owners plan to install a fence to prevent people from slipping into the river from the eroding bank. The leaning trees endanger people using the trail, as well as possible damaging the planned fence. The RDA requests to cut and remove the fallen tree. The tree that is holding up the fallen tree may need to be limbed up, but no other trees would be cut. The fallen tree will be cut into smaller pieces and winched up the hill to prevent the butt end from digging into the soil. If a gully is scratched into the soil, it will be raked out to discourage the formation of an erosion channel.

A motion was made and approved unanimously to issue a Negative 2 finding.

**NOI:** none

**COC:** Adam Christie of ProTech has requested a partial COC for the Main Street/Hatfield Street solar array. ProTech is ready to pass the project over to the project owner now that all required work is completed other than the two years of monitoring the wetland replication. The SWPPP inspector walked both sides of the array and found a few erosion gullies but reported that vegetation is good and meets the criteria of the NOI. Robin Casioppo of GZA, the wetland consultant monitoring the wetland replication, reported via email that the replication went well. She will be working out

the details for continuing the monitoring for the next two years.

A motion was made and approved unanimously to grant a partial COC for the entire site with the exception of the wetland replication area.

**Enforcements:** none

**Discussion of new potential violations:** none

**Discussions:**

**Other business, including discussion of issues:**

Next Meeting: December 14.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,  
Melinda McCall  
Secretary - Williamsburg Conservation Commission