Buckland, MA Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2023

Via Zoom

Agenda

- Open Meeting
- 2. Review Previous Meeting Minutes
- 3. RDA for the proposed septic installation at 78 Crittenden Hill Rd.
- 4. Other items within 48 hours.
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Close Meeting

Attendees

Kathy Lytle, chair

Alex Meade, member

Jim Eagan, member

Steve Howland, member

Mary Knipe, member

1. Chair Kathy Lytle opened the meeting at 6:36 pm

- 2. Minutes of the December 5, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Member Steve Howland moved to approve the minutes as written; member Mary Knipe seconded the motion, all members voted to approve the minutes.
- 3. RDA for the proposed septic installation at 78 Crittenden Hill Rd.

Member Howland presented the application. Last spring, members Howland and Alex Meade visited the site when the project was a rebuilding of an existing barn. The project has since been altered to become a two family home in a new timber frame building. The proposed septic system is not within the 100' setback requirement, but the grading, as marked, will go within the 100' in order to create a slope away from the new system, and to replant grass. As there is an intermittent stream, it is recommended that a sediment erosion barrier be put in place.

Question: why is the septic system sited so far away from the building? Response from member Meade: siting is related to Title V; leach fields can be within the buffer zone.

Member Meade moved the RDA at 78 Crittenden Hill Rd. be granted a negative determination, checking box # 3, "will not alter the area, does not require an NOI," and requiring the sedimentation barrier stay in place until vegetation is re-established. Member Howland seconded the motion; all members voted in favor of the motion. Member Howland will hand deliver the paperwork to the applicant.

4. Other items within 48 hours

There was no further business presented.

5. Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

- 6. Close Meeting
- 7. Member Howland moved to adjourn the meeting; member Meade seconded the motion; all voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

Respectfully submitted, Alison Cornish, Boards Clerk

Documents Referenced

RDA 78 Crittenden Hill Rd., Buckland