

**Plainfield Conservation Commission**  
**Minutes of Meeting Held May 12, 2022**

Meeting was Held in Town Hall. Commissioners present: Erik Burcroff, Judy Ferber, Jack Nelson, Alice Schertle, Judith Williams (chair)

**Call to Order**, Judith Williams, 6:05 p.m.  
Minutes of 4-27-22 approved as presented.

**76 North Street**

Judith W. spoke with wetland consultant Emily Stockman regarding work being done in wetlands and buffer zone at 76 North Street without filing an NOI, in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act. Efforts to contact the owner have so far been unsuccessful. As advised by Emily, Judith sent, by certified mail on 5-10-22, an Enforcement Order, Form 9, to property owner Jared LaRoche, an Adams resident. The Order requires Mr. LaRoche to cease and desist from all activities in jurisdictional areas and to attend a meeting of the Conservation Commission. He will further be required to hire a professional wetland consultant to design a wetland restoration plan. Judith has had to this date no response from Mr. La Roche. After receiving postal verification of his receipt of the Enforcement Order, further steps will be taken to locate him and to ensure mitigation of damage to the wetlands.

Erik, Judy F., Jack, Alice and Judith W. signed the Enforcement Order, Form 9.

**Lot 14, Bow and Alden**

Jack reported that he has spoken twice with Greg and Aly Miller, owners/trustees of property at the intersection of Bow and Alden. The owners intend to convert an existing barn into a residence. The site of the work, involving ongoing removal of vegetation, is well within Riverfront and buffer zone. No NOI has been filed nor any permits obtained. Jack has explained the violations involved to the property owners, but the work has continued. Jack and commissioners reviewed the Enforcement Order, Form 9, which will be sent to the Millers by certified mail. They will be required to cease and desist from all work in jurisdictional areas, to attend a Conservation Committee meeting, and to hire a professional wetland consultant to design a restoration plan.

Erik, Judy F., Jack, Alice and Judith W. signed the Enforcement Order, Form 9.

**Other Business**

Landscape designer Kirsten Barringer has notified Judith that she will submit an RDA for work to be done at 10 Prospect Street for property owners David and Bettie Briggs. The ConCom will hold a public meeting on June 1, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in Town Hall to review the RDA.

Judith W. was contacted by a potential purchaser of lot 26, Prospect Street, in regard to any wetland issues and procedures.

Judith W. contacted service forester Alison Wright-Hunter in regard to 126 West Street, an approximately 5-acre parcel owned by a California resident, where clearing is being done for house construction. Alison said she didn't feel wetlands were involved and that the amount of clearing did not require a Forest Cutting Plan.

Jack shared written information from MACC on farming in wetland resource areas.

Judy F. said she will follow up on information from Assistant Assessor Gina Papineau regarding a cabin built on wetlands on North Central St.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission will be held in Town Hall on June 1, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. This will be a public meeting to review an RDA to be submitted by Kirsten Barringer for David and Bettie Briggs.

**Adjourned**, 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Schertle