

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes - D R A F T

August 10, 2016 7:00 pm to 9:45 pm

In Attendance

- Bob Dillberger
- Barbara DeVore
- Anna Faiello
- Liz Fletcher
- Lundy Lewis
- Rosanna Nadeau

Voted unanimously to accept July minutes.

Met with Mike Stanek (michael.stanek@eversource.com) and Laurel Bolvin (laurel.bolvin@eversource.com) from Eversource regarding the power line easement. (Laurel explained her job, and it seems she's a good initial point of contact for any future dealings with Eversource.) Mike specifically mentioned vegetation mgmt. past and future, recent environmental surveys, and the promised gate on A-11. We also want to continue our discussion of the road built on Parcel B-17-1. We ask that the road be removed and the area be restored to it's prior condition. Laurel will follow-up on the road, and **requested an email explaining what we want** so she has it in writing. Regarding vegetation mgmt., Mike outlined his plan for enhanced communication in the future to forestall misunderstandings like the ones we've experienced recently on B-17-1 (which Mike described as an "avoidable situation").

Mike suggested we ask the Mason assessor's office to add the CC to the list of people associated with A-11 and B-17-1 so there's an official record of that responsibility so external entities like Eversource will find during normal information retrieval. Also, in discussing the stone barricade across the access road off Starch Mill, Mike recommended installing a gate instead, and committed to installing one there and on A-11 (as promised in the easement). Mike left the necessary paperwork with us, and committed to having the gates in place within 3 weeks. Liz will forward the form to Bill Doonan for his property.

Regarding the recent environmental survey, Mike explained the underlying reason and assured us that the data is protected against unauthorized use, and is never distributed outside the company.

Regarding invasive plant control, agreed to invite Dave Morrison (new road agent) to our next meeting to discuss what the road crew can do to prevent spreading the plants.

Logging on B-17-1 (Spaulding Brook land off Mitchell Hill Rd.) is expected to begin later this week. Barbara will notify abutters.