

TOWN OF
MASSACHUSETTS

Town Hall
35 Central Street

Stoneham Conservation Commission
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***Amended Agenda: Reorganization is being added after resignations were received from the Co-Chairs over the weekend**

**STONEHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
JANUARY 30, 2023 REMOTE 7 PM**

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Ellen McBride, Norman L'Esperance, Alex Rozycki, Bob Parsons, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Megan Day, Domenick Cimina, Dennis Sheehan, Bob Galvin, Raymie Parker

DISCUSSION

Reorganization of Conservation Commission*

Dennis Sheehan starts meeting announcing resignations of co chairs Parsons and McBride, thanks them for their service and asks if they'd like to speak to the group. Bob Parsons sees Weiss at the finish line for his involvement in Conservation Commission. Joined in 1993 with a few years off. Divesting because life is busy. Tremendous opportunity being on Commission, wants to continue relationships, give someone else chance to take the lead. Here if support is needed, taking a step back, thanks the Commission, Dennis Sheehan, Raymie Parker and Jen DeCourcy. Ellen McBride reads her resignation, decision not made lightly. Meeting requested multiple times with Zoning Board of Appeals, Select Board and Conservation Commission to discuss jurisdictional involvement with ongoing negotiations with Corcoran and Weiss Farm, questions not answered fully and suggestions have been ignored. We as a board should make recommendations to Select Board on matters of wetlands and other natural resources, our advice is being ignored. Indefensible lack of respect. Ellen McBride has spent 14 years on Commission. Happy to answer questions, available as needed, insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting a different result.

Dennis Sheehan grateful for their time and sad and appreciate their honesty. Remaining group decides on who steps in for chairmanship.

Ellen McBride thanks Raymie Parker for her support and for speaking on the Commission's behalf. Bob Parsons calls Jen DeCourcy a gem as she functions beyond her job description, and Raymie Parker and Dennis Sheehan are true professionals and what makes the Town great. Everyone has the best intentions of the Town in mind.

Alex Rozycki thanks both Bob Parsons and Ellen McBride.

Raymie Parker thanks the co-chairs, she's very disappointed and upset but understands. There is a lot of tireless work that is unseen. Thank you for being on the Commission. Norman L'Esperance thanks them, has relied on them so much, big holes to fill, sad.

Dennis Sheehan says it's up to the Commission to organize going forward in short term. Alex Rozycki says we should set our next meeting and determine offline next steps. Megan Day asks if we need a point person for the next few meetings, and if anyone is interested.

Jessica Gerke volunteers to be interim if no one else wants it.

Norman L'Esperance motions to make Jessica Gerke temporary chair, Megan Day seconds. Roll call yes Megan Day, Jessica Gerke, Alex Rozycki, Domenick Cimina, Norman L'Esperance and Rob Fotino 6/0

Correspondence

Miscellaneous

Approve Meeting Minutes from January 9, 2023 and Executive Session minutes from Bi-board 12/5/22 and SCC Executive Session 12/12/22

Alex Rozycki motions to approve all minutes and Norman L'Esperance seconds. Roll call yes Norman L'Esperance, Alex Rozycki, Domenick Cimina, Jessica Gerke, Rob Fotino and Megan Day abstains 5/0/1

Alex Rozycki mentions asking friends to be on the Stoneham Conservation Commission. Megan Day and Alex Rozycki say unless there is a reason we do not need an Executive Session, Dennis Sheehan responds it is probably worth a few minutes.

Motion to close Alex Rozycki and not enter back into Public Hearing but head into Executive Session seconded by Jessica Gerke roll call yes Alex Rozycki, Domenick Cimina, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norman L'Esperance and Megan Day 6/0

Executive Session if Necessary

To discuss strategy with respect to all pending litigation where an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the Town and the chair so declares pursuant to Mass. Gen. L. c. 30A sec. 21(a)(3) to wit: Weiss Farm, Inc. v. Stoneham Conservation Commission

Next Meeting Monday February 27, 2023