

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
June 9, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Henry Kozloski
Frank Meagher
Keven Brown
Magda Galiatsos
Jill Ward

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sheryl Becker
S. Page Fallon

ALSO PRESENT:

Taryn Egerton
Hope Goff

Mr. Kozloski called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM

1. 6:00 PM - PUBLIC HEARING – REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF
APPLICABILITY – 107 Forest Hill Road – Groggin

Nick Groggin of St. Pierre Pools was present to explain that he is proposing to install an in-ground pool on the property. Mr. Kozloski said the Commission did a site visit today. The proposed pool will be about 70' from the resource area and a fence will be constructed about 10' from the resource area.

Motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Meagher to issue a negative Determination of Applicability for 107 Forest Hill Road – Groggin.

VOTE 4 – 0

2. PUBLIC HEARING CONT. – NOTICE OF INTENT – 497 South Westfield St. –
DePalma & Tirone

The Commission received a request to continue the Public Hearing for 497 South Westfield Street.

Motion was made by Mr. Meagher and seconded by Ms. Galiatsos to continue the Public Hearing – Notice of Intent – 497 South Westfield Street – DePalma & Tirone to June 23, 2022.

VOTE 4 - 0

3. PUBLIC HEARING CONT. – Notice of Intent – 0 South West Street & 0 Pine Street – Town of Agawam

The Public Hearing was previously continued to June 23, 2022.

4. PUBLIC HEARING CONT. – Notice of Intent – Main Street – Westfield River Interceptor Sewer Relocation Project – Agawam DPW (Continued to September 22, 2022)

The Public Hearing was previously continued to September 22, 2022.

Ms. Ward joined the meeting at 6:07pm.

5. Correspondence and Complaints

618 Barry Street – Enforcement Order – grass is growing, hay bales and silt fences still in place. They will be notified as to how to handle the area when the bales are removed.

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Ms. Galiatsos to lift the Enforcement Order with the condition that, when the hay bales are removed, the area will be treated.

VOTE 5 – 0

128 North West Street – Enforcement Order – Ms. Egerton spoke with a representative regarding the cease & desist order. They will be hiring an environmentalist. An NOI & restoration plan must be submitted.

1038 North Street Extension – A certified letter was sent to the adjacent property owner where the work is being done, the green card was received but no response was received.

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Brown to issue an Enforcement Order if the Commission is not contacted by the next meeting.

VOTE 5 – 0

The Southgate improvement project started work on May 31, 2022.

The shed at School Street Park which is in the resource area will be removed on June 21, 2022. The land where the shed is located will need to be repaired.

Shoemaker Lane (wetland restoration project) will be commencing work on June 13, 2022. Tighe & Bond will provide full time monitoring.

TGP - will be assessing revegetation status of row to see if the silt fence can be removed at the end of the month.

June 14, 2022 at 3:00pm there will be a site walk at Tuckahoe for the water quality certification.

272 Garden Street – Beavers – Beaver deceiver will not be able to be used, the beavers must be trapped at a cost of \$225 per beaver. Homeowner cannot afford. Health Agent Mike Theroux requested a site visit by the Commission to see the potential issues, perhaps the town can help.

86 Willowbrook – Flooding – Town departments had a meeting and it was decided that the Town will not be helping. Mr. Kozloski noted that there is another house on Willowbrook with a fence in the brook as the brook has moved 2'. The Commission will send them a letter.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 26, 2022

Motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Ms. Galiatsos to approve the minutes of May 26, 2022 as written.

VOTE 5 - 0

Mr. Kozloski noted that Tuckahoe will be going to the City Council's next meeting for funding approval. The project total is \$6.1 million.

Motion was made by Ms. Galiatsos and seconded by Ms. Ward to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE 5 – 0

Meeting was adjourned at 6:19 pm.