

HOPKINTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 9, 2009 7:00 PM

*Approved minutes
10-13-09
Harvey Buford / Dorothy Gardiner*

- A. Call to order: 7:23 pm. Present: Harvey Buford, Dorothy Gardiner, Lucas Marsh, Gary Marsh
- B. Administrative: Voucher need for WPWA for \$1600 for stream water monitoring. All agree.
- 1) Approve Minutes from 5-12-09 Regular Meeting (Dorothy). Unanimous approval
 - 2) Budget Expenditures: As noted, voucher needed for \$1600 for stream water monitoring. Harvey will submit. \$100 for RIACC approved.
- C. Featured Discussion:
- 1) Loves Truck Stop Review: Discussion of multiple environmental issues with possible truck stop in the area of Exit 1.
 - 2) Groundwater and Wellhead Protection Changes. Update district use tables and detailed review of business in Exit 1, which should be a protected area. Wellhead protection re: IF Truck Stop were to place tanks, then they would NOT be able to drill water well. However, if they drill a well, then they will be able to place the fuel tanks. Some discussion on this.
- D. Other Business: Ground Water Protection Ordinance: Map needs updating. Prefer changes for wells occur without maps. Review should be done by September. All members agree that members of the HCC may meet, without a quorum to discuss/rewrite Wellhead Protection, and consider changes to this ordinance and the district use table. It is noted that the HCC serves as a committee to advise, and provide input. Motion to allow members to meet to discuss changes without a quorum by Dorothy Gardiner, 2nd by Harvey Buford, unanimous passage.
- E. Planner / Planning Board / Zoning Board / Land Trust / Town Council Actions
- F. Project Assignments / Action Items All members are urged to attend the July 1, 2009 Planning Board meeting, in order to question Love's Travel Stop Plans.
- G. Correspondence, Misc. None
- H. Members Forum: Long discussion of generalities of zoning, buffers and their intended use, ordinances and if HCC should review and suggest changes to narrow the meaning of a buffer zone in areas. Height, use of the buffer to add

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beauty, or to add height to "hide" a business and present a typical rural vegetative border with trees and bushes acting as a screen to maintain the rural character of the town.

I. Public Forum none

J. Adjournment 9:10pm Harvey Buford, Dorothy Gardiner 2nd, unanimous.

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