

**Town of Blandford**  
**Conservation Commission Minutes**  
**October 24, 2022 6:00 PM**

**Commission Members in attendance:** Dick Gates, Colleen Doyle, John Piper

**Others in Attendance:**

**I. New Business**

**II. Continuing Business**

**a. Shephard Farm**

A meeting was held at Shephard Farm on October 6 with CJ Lammers of the Conway School, Shannon Walsh of PVPC, Blandford TA, Christopher Dunne and Dick Gates of the Blandford Conservation Commission. The purpose of meeting was to provide information about Shephard Farm for use in determining if the Conway School would potentially undertake a conceptual design for the farm property as a graduate student project.

Also R. Gates will be contacting Jeff Jourdain , Consulting Forester to discuss resurrecting a timber harvest for the farm property.

**b. Mass DOT RFD --Route 23, 20 Woronoco Road**

Mass DOT will be submitting an RFD related to placement of 1 utility pole.

**c. Park Avenue Solar Solutions (PASS) Settlement Negotiations with Mass DEP**

Mass DEP is continuing to try to work out an acceptable design/cost for a culvert replacement at Gibbs Road. The culvert project would be the mitigation component of a settlement with PASS related to Wetland violations that occurred during construction of the solar field at North Blandford Road.

**d. Bell Fleur Marijuana Facility Status Update**

Dick Gates and John Piper visited the site 10/21/22. Site activities included removal of large soil piles, site grading and reconstruction of the large stormwater management basin.

*Dick W. Gates*  
*Colleen Doyle*  
*John R. Piper*