

Town of Blandford
Conservation Commission Minutes

October 23, 2023 6:00 PM

Blandford Town Hall, 1 Russell Stage Road, Blandford, MA

1. **Review/Finalize Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - A. Approved unanimously: August 14th and August 28th

New Business

2. Determine date for special meeting to review RDA received for Cross Road home construction
 - A. Discussion of completeness of RDA, application is incomplete and possibly not sent to DEP. Site visit date set for Wednesday 10/25, at 4:30 PM.

Continuing Business:

3. **Belle Fleur** -Mass DEP File # 111-0059. Review proposed Enforcement Order drafted per observations made during September 19, 2023 site visit by the Commission
 - A. WPA Form 9 read and subsequent letter reviewed and edited
 - B. D Gates/J Piper moves to issue the enforcement as drafted by N Pietroniro by Wednesday 10/25
 - C. N Pietroniro will make final edits and mail it via certified mail, standard mail, and read receipt email.
4. **Update** -Mass DOT Request for COC - Mass Turnpike Culvert Project (File # 111-0055)
 - A. N Pietroniro and D Gates will review the past paperwork
5. **Update** -Vernal pool certifications
 - A. N Maynard has the aerial and ortho maps, pictures for the site. Needs a hand drawn map and general dimension. D Gates will go out and measure the pool.
6. **Update**-Shepherd Farm
 - A. D Gates N Pietroniro and Blandford Town Administrator met with DCR Representative to discuss CR and any issues. DCR member GPS's some of the property lines.
 - B. Discussion of barn, D Gate to repair broken gate and missing wood on barn. Town Administrator drafted a letter to DCR to propose removal of barn
 - C. Discussion of M.O.U. from Blandford Fair to ensure removal is done correctly and not leave a hazard pile
 - D. Discussion of how to remove house, J Piper suggest seeing if Fire Department can do a controlled burn if all conditions are met. Must be done after Historical Commission removes historically significant items from house.
7. **Continue** discussion on establishment of new trails, parking area and trail head on North Blandford Road for Long Pond Conservation Area.

Other

David M. Gates
Allan Wood
N. Maynard

John A. Ryan