



CITY OF MELROSE

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Melrose Conservation Commission Minutes for October 2, 2014

Present: Richard Doucette, Aaron Weieneth, Kevin Anderson, and Kate Hickey
Absent: Susan Murphy

Mr. Doucette called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, as acting Chair.

Minutes

Mr. Weieneth moved to approve the minutes of September 18, 2014.
Ms. Hickey seconded the motion; and it was voted unanimously in favor.

Tennis Courts at Tremont St. and Lynnells Parkway, Crystal St. – Request for Determination

Andrew Street, the City Engineer, came before the Commission to present a project to reconstruct and resurface the city tennis courts. Both courts are in the 100 year floodplain at Ell Pond. Mr. Street said the Tremont St. court is in poor condition and they plan to reconstruct the courts completely. They will keep the courts in the same area and keep to the same size, four courts and fencing. The only change will be a paved walkway around the courts that goes out to the parking area. Mitigation measures to be taken will include adding grass swales in the area to provide extra storage. Runoff will still go toward Ell Pond. A French drain with a perforated pipe will also run along the west side to aid in the flow toward Ell Pond. The Crystal St. courts are in better condition. They just plan to resurface those and that might not happen right away.

Mr. Doucette asked when the work might start. Mr. Street said they plan to put the project out to bid soon. They want to demo., but will wait until the spring to construct new courts. Mr. Doucette asked if the plan wasn't stamped because the plan was not a final plan? Mr. Street said they have been processing through aggressively; the plan is definite and they can provide a stamped plan.

Members would like erosion controls installed and maintained throughout the winter.

Mr. Doucette moved to issue a Negative 3 Determination with one condition that erosion controls remain throughout the winter. Ms. Hickey seconded the motion, and it was voted unanimously in favor.

Ms. Morgan was asked to talk to DPW about the downed trees at the Knox Trailhead and the erosion at Towner's Pond.

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Doucette, and voted unanimously in favor.

Pursuant to the 'Open Meeting Law, ' G.L. 39, 23B, the approval of these minutes by the Commission constitutes a certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, and the actions taken at the meeting. Any other description of statements made by any person, or the summary of the discussion of any matter, is included for the purpose of context only, and no certification, express or implied, is made by the Commission as to the completeness or accuracy of such statements.