

Town of Peru
Conservation Commission
Notice of Meeting
Tuesday September 24, 2024 at 4:00PM
Town Hall Meeting Room
3 East Main Road, Peru, MA

Call to Order

Public Input for items not on Agenda

Review of Minutes July 9, 2024

Request for Determination of Applicability for upgrade to an existing failed septic system at 7
Garnet Mountain Lane (Map 15, Lot 75). Applicant is Estate of Ronald Brightman c/o Holly

Old/New Business: Recent site visits

Forest Cutting Plans: McKnight property-Hickingbotham Road
Hall property-Curtin Road-east unit

Adjournment

The list of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Commission which may be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by laws.

This meeting is held in accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act. (M.G.L. c. 131 Section 40, and Wetlands Protection Regulations (310 CMR 10.00).

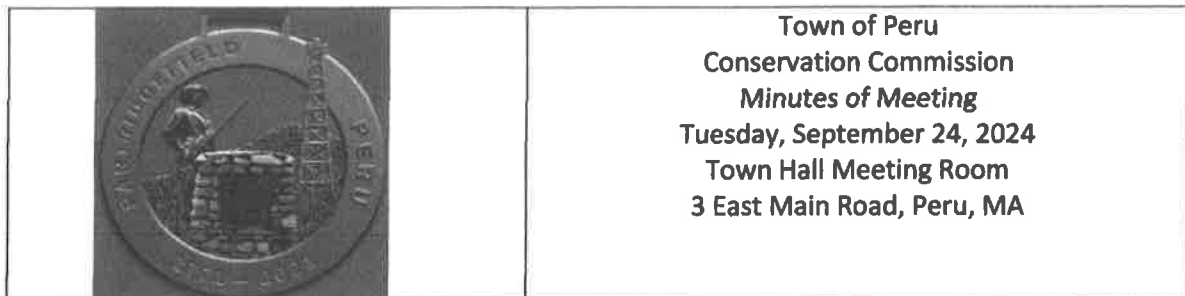
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Town Clerk

Approved
on 1/20/25
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Attendees:

Conservation Commission: Mike Frederick, Chair; Darryl Darby; Jim Kenney; Branden Moscolo
Michael Kulig - Berkshire Engineering, Inc

Call to Order at 4:05pm.

Public Input for items not on agenda: None, no one from the public was present.

Review and finalization of July 9, 2024 Minutes: The final version of the minutes were distributed by e-mail prior to this meeting. No changes were requested in that version so the motion to approve the minutes was made Darby motions, Kenney seconds, vote 4-0, in favor of motion. Kenney to deliver signed minutes to the Town Clerk.

Request for Determination of Applicability for upgrade to an existing failed septic system at 7 Garnet Mountain Lane (Map 15, Lot 75). Applicant is Estate of Ronald Brightman c/o Holly Clifford
An earlier RDA for this work had been approved approximately 10 years ago but was only in effect for 3 years. A new RDA has been submitted with a request for a negative determination. Two separate site visits were made by members of the Conservation Commission prior to this meeting.
Outcome: Chairman Frederick made the motion to approve a negative determination with the conditions that the Conservation Commission be informed when the silt fences are up and when the job is complete. Darby motioned to approve, Kenney seconds, vote 4-0 in favor of the motion.

Old/New Business; Recent site visits; Forest Cutting Plans:

A site visit was made to the McKnight property on Hickingbotham Road by M. Frederick, D. Darby and B. Moscolo to become familiar with the location since a cutting plan has been provided to the Conservation Commission

A cutting plan has been made available for a Hall property in the vicinity of Curtin Road and referred to, in the plan, as the East Unit. The review of the plan resulted in no objections as it appears that no wetlands are being infringed. The discussion resulted in the request that J. Kenney contact the DCR representative to better understand the location as well as and timelines for the cutting work since a site visit may be proposed.

Members of the Board of Health along with J. Kenney visited 15 Curtin Rd after learning that the property was soon to change hands and that the new owner intended to live in a 'RV' while the home was renovated. Concern was expressed since the property had previously failed Title V certification. There were no wetland concerns with this property so no concerns from the Conservation Commission. The visit resulted in the property being condemned by the Berkshire Public Health Alliance Health Agent.

The potential buyer has since discontinued interest and a new buyer has closed on the property with plans to build a new home.

Frusciento Property on Middlefield Road: J. Kenney indicated that he had spoken again with Mr. Frusciento who is unable to confirm ownership of the Middlefield Rd. property. Until ownership is confirmed the family would not be able to develop plans for clean-up with the State DEP. The property is in tax arrears and has been denied a license to operate a used auto parts permit. This may cause the property to be subject to violation of the town's junk motor vehicle by-law. No further action is intended until contacted by the family.

Adjournment at 5:00pm

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Approved and submitted:

Mike Frederick, Chairman: Edward M. Frederick

Darryl Darby: Darryl Darby

James Kenney: James Kenney

Branden Moscolo: Branden Moscolo

Date: 1-20-25

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