

Commission Update – June 2023
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33 Violations

- 1) 5 Bayberry Lane (Also Cease and Correct) – Digging/Drainage/Pond**
05/16/23 – Owner reported issues finishing up project. Informed him that the Cease and Correct will remain on land record until the owner is able to finish restoration.
- 2) 4 Blind Brook Road South – Vegetation Removal**
05/16/23 – Homeowner state that project is complete.
- 3) 1 Charcoal Hill Road – Vegetation Removal/Substantially Improved Residence**
01/17/23 – Waiting on project to finish. S&E inspector does regular visits.
- 4) 53 Evergreen Avenue – Fill in Wetlands/WPLO/Floodway**
05/15/23 – Emailed homeowner about status of regrading. Homeowners state that they thought project was complete, but informed them that they were still missing steps like having a surveyor examine the amount of added fill.
- 5) 57 Evergreen Avenue – Grading/Retaining Walls/Vegetation Removal in Setback**
09/29/22 – Received survey. Spoke with contractor about needing a survey with updated topography to reflect the unpermitted work as well as proposals for future work.
11/29/22 – Spoke with contractor about getting a soil survey
- 6) 29 Ferry Lane East – Grading/Retaining Wall in Setback**
03/09/23 – Homeowner called P&Z and said that they had submitted application to DEEP.
- 7) 22 Flower Farm Circle – Fill and Clearing**
03/10/23 – Issued NOV.
04/12/2023 – Planting plan approved.
06/12/23 – Homeowner emailed stating that plants were going in and wanted to use sweet peat mulch to prevent weeds, but responded stating that that is too thick and not allowed and the goal is to naturalize the area.
- 8) 15 Fresenius Rd – Clearing and Fill in Wetlands (No Violation Issued)**
01/31/23 – Inspection of neighboring property noted work in wetlands and along stream of 15 Fresenius Rd.
01/31/23 – Sent Letter asking homeowners to contact Conservation Department.
02/06/23 – Spoke with homeowner.
02/16/23 – Spoke with landscaper hired by homeowners and explained restoration requirements.
- 9) 287 Greens Farms Road – Shed and Treehouse without Permit**
10/03/22 – Issued NOV and sent explanatory email. Homeowner said she would apply for permit. Survey still needed.
04/21/23 – Emailed homeowner about status.
- 10) 4 Guyer Road – Clearing Vegetation**

04/17/2023 – Emailed homeowner about status. She asked about location of trees, response was as close to bank as possible to help stop erosion that has occurred as a result of her removing trees.

05/15/23 – Emailed homeowner about status of tree plantings. Homeowner wanted to put in non-native herbaceous plants. Responded that this is not acceptable.

06/14/23 – Emailed homeowner. Says she will try to find someone this weekend.

11) 3 Half-Mile Common – Clearing

02/27/23 - Received complaint about tree clearing. Inspection from street revealed significant tree removal in GIS wetlands with the likelihood that wetland line should be expanded. No answer at door. Issued NOV.

06/05/23 – Homeowner submitted a planting plan, but it was not detailed enough and only covered part of the restoration area. Told homeowner to make changes.

06/14/23 – Emailed homeowner.

12) 159 Kings Highway North – Shed and Fill with Boulder Slope

03/22/23 - Noticed shed and fill in WPLO.

03/22/23 – Issued NOV.

04/11/23 – Property owner contacted Conservation Department and will get a survey.

13) 36 Kings Highway South – Vegetation Removal in Wetlands

04/17/23 – Emailed homeowner about status. Response is that there were issues with landscaper selling business and trying to find a new one.

14) 9 Lakeview Road (2 Violations Issued to Separate People, Cease and Correct Order Issued to one) – Digging/Clearing/Dumping/Pipe Installation in Wetlands

05/05/23 – Stamped and signed planting and engineering plans.

15) 8 Lone Pine Lane (Also Cease and Correct) – Vegetation Removal

09/07/22 – Drove by to inspect and saw no changes. Cease and Correct order remains on the land records.

16) 6 Lost Lodge Rd – Patio

05/12/2023 – Noticed unpermitted patio in wetland setback and WPL.

05/17/2023 – Issued NOV.

05/31/2023 – Met homeowner and contractor at property with Ted Gill.

17) 49 Marion Rd – Tree Clearing and Dumping

03/16/23 – Noticed tree clearing around pond when inspecting neighboring property.

03/17/23 – Issued NOV.

03/24/23 – Spoke with homeowner about replanting and removing dumped woodchips.

05/05/23 – Emailed homeowner about status.

18) 15 Mortar Rock Rd – Tree Clearing

04/25/23 – Issued NOV for tree removal.

05/01/23 – Met homeowner on site and discussed trees and tree planting process.

19) 15 Oakwood Ln – Fill and Vegetation Removal

05/24/23 – Noticed tractor in wetland area and significant fill. Spoke with homeowner about needing a soil survey to determine extent of violation and where fill could be permitted.

06/13/23 – Homeowner responds to an email stating that he needs to be out of the country.
06/13/23 – Wrote NOV so that there would be paper trail as violation and fill would be standing for 2 months before action.

20) 17 Oakwood Ln – Tree Removal, Dumping, and Unpermitted Structures

04/21/23 – Homeowners are purchasing native dogwoods to replace the Asian ones they accidentally purchased.

21) 113 Old Road – Fill in Setback

01/18/23 – Commission approved fill in setback with planting plan.
05/05/23 – Emailed applicants about status of plantings.

22) 10 Punch Bowl Drive – Dumping

05/10/23 – Spoke with homeowner who is going to wait until dry season to remove dumping.

23) 183 Roseville Road – Clearing and Dumping in Wetlands

12/01/22 – Inspected and it appeared that everything was fixed, but leaves had been dumped in wetlands. Spoke with homeowner about this and he will remove them.
02/09/23 – Emailed homeowner.
05/15/23 – Emailed homeowner.

24) 8 Silent Grove N – Tree Clearing and Berm

03/16/23 – Noted tree clearing on property.
03/20/23 – Issued NOV.
04/17/23 – Certified letter returned. Sent letter regular and certified.
05/01/23 – Met owner onsite and discussed berm removal, soil removal, tree plantings, and seed mix.

25) 24 Spriteview Ave – Failure to Install Raingarden as Part of Permit

04/17/23 – Emailed homeowner to see about how plants are doing and what species. He stated that plants are all in and from approved list.

26) 27A Sturges Commons – No Silt Fence with Bare Slope/Wall in Wetlands

03/21/23 – Colin met with homeowner and wrote email about requiring a new as-built that matched field conditions.
06/14/23 – Emailed homeowner and contractors about status.

27) 1 Sturges Hwy – Clearing and Board in Wetlands (No Violation Issued)

02/21/23 – Received Complaint. Inspection revealed board along property edge through wetlands. Further research noted significant vegetation clearing in wetlands.
03/03/23 – Attempted to talk to homeowner, but no one was home. Sent letter to contact Conservation Department.
03/10/23 – Met with representative of owner who said a planting plan would be submitted and violations resolved.

28) 28 Sue Terrace – Shed and Clearing in Wetlands

05/13/23 - Emailed homeowner about status.

29) 10 Tupelo Rd – Unpermitted Structure

04/17/23 – Emailed homeowner. Pool is removed. Will take some time to remove dumped logs.

30) 8 Twin Bridge Acre Road – Retaining Wall and Patio

03/23/23 – Noticed retaining wall in setback and floodway.

03/29/23 – Issued NOV.

04/03/23 – Homeowner contacted Conservation Department and will get a survey.

31) 18 Waterside Terrace – Tree Clearing

02/02/23 – Spoke with homeowner who will plant new trees in wetland.

06/14/23 – Emailed homeowner. Says the guy she hired is backed up.

32) 20 Wilton Road (Bartaco) – Dumping in WPLO

05/11/23 – Met with CFO, Manager, and Lawyer. They have until the end of the month to fix/clean the sewer pipes and will coordinate with Conservation regarding stormwater pipes.

05/30/23 – Storm pipes mostly cleaned. Still need work.

33) 9 Winding Lane – Vegetation Removal and Woodchip Paths

05/05/23 – Spoke with homeowner who is beginning the process of restoration.

06/15/23 – Emailed homeowner.