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AGENDA

Shirley Town Office 1st Floor – Board of Selectmen Meeting Room May 25, 2021 @ 6:30 PM

This meeting will be held at the Town Office Building, 1st Floor, Board of Selectmen Meeting Room. This meeting will be held virtually at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88109634485> or by using the Meeting ID: **881 0963 4485** at zoom.us. Residents can also phone in by calling: **1-929-205-6099** and entering the Meeting ID: **881 0963 4485**. Residents have the ability to ask questions via ZOOM.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENT: *This meeting is being recorded and may be shown live on the local broadcast channel by Shirley Media and recorded for internet access. The Town has tested our ability to cablecast a live meeting on Channel 99, and it is functioning. This will permit anyone to view a live Cablecast meeting as it occurs on channel 99. Those who do not have Comcast can also watch live by going to the Shirley Media website: <https://www.shirleymedia.org/>*

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MINUTES FOR REVIEW / APPROVAL

- September 10, 2019 (review, approve, & signatures)
- October 8, 2019 (review, approve, & signatures)
- October 22, 2019 (review, approve, & signatures)
- November 12, 2019 (review, approve, & signatures)
- November 26, 2019 (review, approve, & signatures)
- December 10, 2019 (review, approve, & signatures)
- January 14, 2020 (review, approve, & signatures)
- January 28, 2020 (review, approve, & signatures)
- May 11, 2021 (review, approve, & signatures)

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

- Bills / Invoices / Reimbursements
 - N/A

BUDGET

- The Tracker / Legal Notice / NOI / Horse Pond Road / Shirley DPW \$30.00

NEW WETLANDS BUSINESS

- 6:40 PM: Public Hearing – Notice of intent / Horse Pond Road at Walker Brook crossing / Shirley Department of Public Works / Howard Stein Hudson / the project proposes to replace existing collapsed culvert with a 60 inch by 46 inch corrugated metal pipe arch. The project is within 100 feet of a bordering vegetated wetland, inland bank, land under waterbodies and waterways, and the 200-foot riverfront area.
- Order of Conditions (COC) #284-0484 / 2 Derby Drive (32-A-6) / Rettberg / Apple Valley Homes, LLC / David E. Ross Associate, Inc. / construction of a single family dwelling, deck, drainage, grading, and sewer line within 100 feet of a bordering vegetated wetland.

OLD WETLANDS BUSINESS

- Public Hearing (**continuance**) – Notice of Intent / 42 Benjamin Road (33-B-4 & 5) / Middlesex land Holdings, LLC / Norse Environmental Services, Inc. / raze a driveway, garage, barn, construct a new driveway, roof top infiltration, a roadway, limited

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project roadway crossing, box culvert, retaining walls, guard rails, sidewalks, mail box area, parking, (4) townhouse homes, decks/patios, drainage, grading, and associated utilities within 100 feet of a bordering vegetated wetland.

- Enforcement Order - 7 Main Street (16-D-2) / RMD Trust / Wetlands & Riverfront
- Enforcement Order - 44 Horse Pond Road (63-A-26) / OOC #284-0430 / Shawn Hillman

OTHER CONSERVATION BUSINESS

- Open Space and Recreation Plan
 - Posting on CC website
 - Committee update
- Shirley Trails
 - Trails / Signs / Parking / Maps – Printing / QCodes
 - Possible Girl Scout Project / New Trail Benches
 - Benton MacKaye trail idea / 100th Anniversary of the Appalachian Trail
- Longley Acres
 - 5-year License Agreements / House & Barn / Hay Fields / status
 - House / Barn Maintenance / Carpentry, Painting, etc. / status
 - Community Garden / Caretaker Responsibilities / Ground Rules
 - Kim & Steve Hampson / wedding on June 12 2023 / discuss at June 22nd CC meeting
- Forest Management
 - Pumpkin Brook Link Conservation Area / Turtle Habitat / status
 - DCR Community Forest Implementation Grant / Post-harvesting Outreach & Education
- Greenway Committee
 - Report & updates
 - ✓ Open Space Committee / joint letter to BOS on appointments
 - ✓ Forest Legacy Project / pre-appraisal work expenses
 - ✓ New Trails Guidance document
 - ✓ Letter to BOS / TA re: request for Town Counsel Assistance with acquisitions
- Land Acquisition
 - Holdenwood Property / off-of Horse Pond Road / Public Access
 - Betsy's List / Article 49 / 97 Conversions / Protections
 - Possible Donations
 - Town Tax Takings
 - 36 Groton Road (102-A-3) / GAD Realty Trust / 30+/- ac donation to Shirley CC / status
 - Forest Legacy Project / Tracts-Parcels to Include / pre-appraisal work expenses
 - Executive Session: MassWildlife request for Appraisal Funds
- Land Management
 - Fredonian Nature Center / Project / ADA Accessibility / Funding / Grants / Donations / Volunteers / Parking
 - Conservation Restrictions / Conservation Commission / Annual Monitoring
 - Unauthorized Trail Development / ORV & ATV activities / Wireless Cameras
 - Boundary / Property signs / quotes
- Town Permits
 - 79 Center Road (33-B-1.4) / Butth / Building Permit / New House / NA
- Conservation Commission Vacancies (3)
- Miscellaneous and not reasonably anticipated items
 - Internship / Summer 2021 / meet with Julia Walsh
 - National Grid / vegetation control treatment / letter dated April 28, 2021
 - Scenic Roads / May 16th letter to Planning Board
 - Conservation Database update / expenses
 - Conservation Secretary / update
- Upcoming / Past Events & Meetings
 - Shirley Conservation Commission / Shirley Town Office Building / 1st floor / June 8, 2021 at 6:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

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