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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Greenfield Department of Planning and Development

Remote Access Online: [HERE](#) or by Phone at [+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)]

Meeting ID: [989 1591 5573] Password: [090617]

(Contact the Conservation Agent for Assistance)

AGENDA – Revised October 4, 2023

Should any technical interruption to the meeting occur and the meeting is suddenly ended, it will not be resumed and all items will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting date. Contact the Conservation Agent for more information.

Administrative Matters

Meeting Access: **Remote Access Online** <https://greenfield-ma.gov/zoom.us/j/98915915573?pwd=MjVHVHE5L0ZHTGpMTINBUGw4UTB6QT09> **or by Phone at** [+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)] **Meeting ID:** [989 1591 5573] **Password:** [090617]

- Call to Order
- Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 26, 2023

Schedule of Public Meetings & Hearings

- **Public Hearing: Notice of Intent: Bank stabilization at the Green River Swimming Area (Map 27, Lot 18) DEP # 168-356 Continued from 9/26/2023**

The project proposes repairs to about 300 linear feet of bank along the Green River. The repairs include building out the top of the bank and repairing it to a 2:1 slope. It will be covered with biodegradable coir erosion control fabric. The entire slope will be planted with native shrubs. Large rocks on the beach which were part of the riverbank are proposed to be incorporated back into the toe of the slope to aid in stability.

- **Public Hearing: Notice of Intent: Solar project at 340 Leyden Road (Map R29, Lot 4) DEP # 168-0357 Continued from 9/26/2023**

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The project entails the construction of a ±999kW-AC (2.5 MW DC) ground-mounted dual-use solar array with coupled battery energy storage system and related appurtenances on ±10-acres of previously altered land that has been historically used for agricultural purposes. The project has been designed to be located largely within the footprint of the agriculture fields and existing farm roads closest to the property entrance to limit tree clearing and minimize disturbance to the extent practicable. The existing agriculture fields will be retained beneath the proposed array and will continue to be utilized for agriculture such as crop growth or livestock grazing. Additional components of this design include access upgrades and new utility poles, site grading, stormwater management features, and the construction of an inverter pad.

➤ **Public Meeting: Extension Request for Order of Conditions: Solar array installation at 1417 Bernardston Road (Map R10, Lot 9) DEP # 168-0329**

The solar array project was amended in 2022 to remove the limited amounts of solar arrays and associated electrical equipment in Greenfield. The interconnection facilities and driveway facilities proposed in 2019 were not affected by the amended plans other than removing two road turnoffs. Part of the upland area outside the buffer zone was approved to be used as a temporary construction laydown yard. An extension has been requested for the final stages of the project, which includes utility pole installation and restabilization.

Other Business & Enforcement Updates

- Request for Certificate of Compliance – 739 Bernardston Road (DEP # 168-0336)
- Outreach to fill Conservation Commission seat vacancy
- Any topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the posting of this agenda
- Enforcement updates
 - 637 Colrain Road (Map R35, Lot 7) – unauthorized filling of wetlands.
 - 8 Conway Drive (Map 49, Lot 24) – unauthorized fill of Riverfront Area.

Project Monitoring, Correspondence, & Site Visit Scheduling

- List of active Order of Conditions and updates.
 - 125 Mohawk Trail Route 2A (DEP #: 168-0323, Exp. 10/17/2025) – Hotel and two additional buildings.
 - 1417 Bernardston Road (DEP #: 168-0329, Exp. 10/21/2023) – Solar array installation.
 - 225-245 Mohawk Trail (DEP #: 168-0339, Exp. 5/11/2024) – Tree cutting and slope restoration.
 - 43 Country Club Road (DEP #: 168-0345, Exp. 8/13/2024) – Bridge repairs.
 - 95 River Street (DEP#: 168-0346, Exp. 10/21/2024) – Building renovations.
 - 739 Bernardston Road (DEP #: 168-0336, Exp. 5/18/2024) – Center School construction.
 - 31 Nash’s Mill Road (DEP #: 168-0347, Exp. 5/13/2027) - Greenfield Swimming Pool annual maintenance.
 - Area adjacent to the Greenfield 28W Substation on Power Court (DEP #: 168-0348, Exp. - 7/6/2025) Greenfield 28W Line Rebuild Project
 - 105 Newton Street (DEP #: 168-0350, Exp. 11/22/2025) Construction of three storage buildings
 - Health Camp Road (DEP #: 168-0351, Exp. 12/28/2025) Utility structure relocation
 - 208 Mohawk Trail (DEP #: 168-0354, Exp. 3/1/2025) Supermarket and parking lot construction
 - 15 Greenfield Street (DEP #: 168-0353, Exp. 3/15/2026) Parking lot construction
 - 112 Newton Street (DEP #: 168-0352, Exp. 3/24/2026) Cell tower installation
 - 1245 Bernardston Road (Exp. 4/12/2026) Solar development
 - Route 2 and Colrain Road (DEP #: 168-0355 Exp. 5/24/2026) Roadway improvements

Set Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 24th, 2023 at 6:30 PM

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