Pursuant to Mass. General Law Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Chicopee Wetland Ordinance Ch. 272, the Chicopee Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 6:15 PM, City Hall Annex, Fourth Floor, Planning/Conservation Office, 274 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013 to discuss the following:

Item 1: Request for Certificate of Compliance (File # NOI 16-002) Lot 4 (23 Ralph Circle) The Applicant is requesting a Certificate of Compliance for Lot 4 of the Ralph Circle Subdivision. This subdivision is only accessible from Russell Street in Springfield.

Item 2: Request for Certificate of Compliance (File # NOI 16-003) Lot 5 (15 Ralph Circle) The Applicant is requesting a Certificate of Compliance for Lot 4 of the Ralph Circle Subdivision. This subdivision is only accessible from Russell Street in Springfield.

Item 3: Enforcement Orders - Updates
- Britton St.
- East Main St.

Item 4: Minutes from February 5, 2020

Item 5: Sign Bills

Item 6: Upcoming Project updates/Discussion

Item 7: Adjournment – Next scheduled meeting is April 1, 2020
CITY OF CHICOPEE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
Special Meeting
January 29, 2020

Pursuant to Mass. General Law Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Chicopee Wetland Ordinance Ch. 272, the Chicopee Conservation Commission held a public hearing on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 5:30 PM, Chicopee Planning/Conservation Office, City Hall Annex, Fourth Floor, 274 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013

James Reidy opened the meeting at 5:36 PM and announced that the meeting was being recorded and asked if anyone was recording the meeting to please state their name and address for the meeting record.

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Item 1: Training Session - Mark Stinson from MassDEP Western Region will join us for training and discussion about upcoming Fuller Road Reconstruction Project.

Notes: Commissioner Reidy introduced Mark Stinson from MassDEP and explained to the Commissioners that his intention for inviting Mr. Stinson to the meeting was for some training on the State Regulations and utilizing the Fuller Road Reconstruction Project plans to apply the regulations. Mr. Stinson provided his comments and file number with regard to the Fuller Road reconstruction project when the project was submitted to the Commission in October 2019. Commissioner Reidy used Mr. Stinson’s comments as the base for the discussion of the meeting. The Commission reviewed Mr. Stinson’s comments one by one and the regulations were applied to each comment. Mr. Stinson explained which sections of the regulations the Commission had discretion over and other sections that are “must strictly comply sections” by the applicant. Once the Commission was satisfied with all the information provided by Mr. Stinson regarding his comments on the Fuller Road project, Staff requested some clarification with regard to an Emergency Certification that was issued by the Commission at their previous meeting to which Mr. Stinson responded. No votes were taken on anything discussed.

Item 2: Upcoming Project updates/Discussion

Notes: Staff informed the Commission that their February 5, 2020 meeting would be held at the Senior Center and that all successive meetings, beginning February 19, 2020, should be back at City Hall.
Item 3: Adjournment – Next scheduled meeting is February 5, 2020

Motion to adjourn was made by Celeste Donovan and seconded by Sharon Balcom. Vote was 5-0 to adjourn.

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CITY OF CHICOPEE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
February 5, 2020

Pursuant to Mass. General Law Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Chicopee Wetland Ordinance Ch. 272, the Chicopee Conservation Commission held a public hearing on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 6:15 PM, RiverMills Senior Center, Classroom 30, 5 West Main St., Chicopee, MA 01020

James Reidy opened the meeting at 6:15 PM and announced that the meeting was being recorded and asked if anyone was recording the meeting to please state their name and address for the meeting record.

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Item 1: (Continued from October 2, December 4 and 18, 2019 and January 15, 2020) NOI for the Fuller Road Roadway Rehabilitation Project. The project includes reconstruction of a 1.7 mile section of Fuller Road from Memorial Dr. (Rt. 33) to the I-291 overpass bridge. Work will occur within Riverfront Area of the Chicopee River as well as Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and Buffer Zones. Applicant: Elizabeth Betelho, City of Chicopee DPW. 115 Baskin Dr. Chicopee, MA 01020

Notes: James Hall of CHA Consulting presented a project update to the Commission. He noted that the Environmental Notification Form had been submitted and they had received the certificate as of January 23, 2020. Mr. Hall proceeded to explain the stormwater basins, necessary tree removals and replacement tree plantings. Commissioner Reidy requested that the MassDEP comments be reviewed and asked Mr. Hall to provide responses as to how the responses were addressed. Mr. Hall explained the requested waivers from the Chicopee wetland setback requirements.

Commissioner Dewberry asked if there was any further thought to any of the design recommendations brought up at the previous meeting. Mr. Hall explained that the project was at about the 100% design stage and that design changes at this point would not be feasible and could delay the project.

The Commissioners asked about trees that they requested be incorporated into the plan to replace trees being removed for the construction. Mr. Hall referred to the planting plan that showed 84 new trees being proposed on both City and WMDC property. Staff will work with the consultant to determine native tree species prior to installation.

The Commission discussed desired Special Conditions that they wanted attached to the Order of Conditions.
Motion to approve the Order of Conditions with special conditions was made by Celeste Donovan and seconded by Sharon Balcom. Vote was 5-0 to approve the Order of Conditions with special conditions.

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**Item 2: Enforcement Orders - Updates**

- Britton St. — Planning/Conservation Staff met with the Applicant and directed him as to the appropriate permitting pathway to development on the site. Since no soil disturbance had occurred, Staff will hold off on issuing an Enforcement Order until the end of January 2020 to give the Applicant time to submit an NOI. An Enforcement Order will be issued if no progress is made by then.

  **Notes:** Staff noted they had met with an individual regarding the cutting of trees in a Terrace Escarpment Soil designated area. No soil disturbance had occurred as of late December 2019. It was explained to the individual that an NOI was required to do any site work on the property as just about the entire property is in TE soil. Staff has recommended to the Commission that if an NOI is not filed by January 31, 2020, an Enforcement Order should be issued. TE soils are jurisdictional under the Chicopee Wetland Protection Ordinance. As of February 5, 2020 no NOI has been filed.

- East Main St. — A concerned citizen contacted the Planning/Conservation office to express concerns about possible Riverfront Area violations for property located at 535 East Main Street. Staff cannot safely access an area to investigate and obtain photos without going onto the subject property.

  **Notes:** A concerned citizen and local business owner contacted Staff regarding possible violations occurring at 535 East Main Street. Staff trying to get access and obtain photos of the property. This is difficult due to topography and layout of abutting property. As of February 5, 2020 the Building Commissioner has visited the property and issued a Cease and Desist Order for the Property Owner to clean up the property as a zoning violation is occurring in addition to the Conservation Issues.

Planning/Conservation Staff will issue Enforcement Orders and have the Commissioners ratify at their next meeting.

**Item 3: Minutes from January 15, 2020**

**Notes:** James Reidy was not present at the meeting on December 18, 2019. The only two Commissioners present were Sharon Balcom and Nicole Dewberry therefore there was no quorum. The meeting was continued to January 15, 2020. The minutes for December 18, 2019 show Commissioner Reidy as present.

Motion to approve the minutes from January 15, 2020 with noted amendment was made by Sharon Balcom and seconded by Charles Payne. Vote was 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. (Celeste Donovan abstained as she was not present at the January 15, 2020 meeting.)

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Item 4: Sign Bills

Notes: Staff noted there were no bills to sign.

Item 5: Upcoming Project updates/Discussion

Notes: Staff noted that the Commission did not receive any applications and therefore it would not be necessary to meet on February 19, 2020. The Commission discussed the possibility of meeting to review regulations but instead decided not to meet on February 19, 2020.

Item 6: Adjournment – Per notes in Item 5 above, the next scheduled meeting is March 4, 2020.

Motion to adjourn was made by Sharon Balcom and seconded by Celeste Donovan. Vote was 5-0 to adjourn.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.
A. Project Information

1. This request is being made by:
   
   Sodi Inc
   
   Name
   
   72 Prospect Hills Dr
   
   Mailing Address
   
   East Longmeadow
   
   City/Town
   
   413-575-7114
   
   Phone Number
   
   MA 01028
   
   State Zip Code

2. This request is in reference to work regulated by a final Order of Conditions issued to:

   Sodi Inc
   
   Applicant
   
   04/13/16
   
   Dated
   
   WE 133-0324
   
   DEP File Number

3. The project site is located at:

   23 Ralph Cir. AKA Lot 4
   
   Chicopee
   
   Street Address
   
   57
   
   City/Town
   
   Assessor's Map/Plat Number
   
   Parcel/Lot Number

4. The final Order of Conditions was recorded at the Registry of Deeds for:

   Property Owner (if different)
   
   Hampden
   
   County
   
   22661
   
   Book
   
   453 Page

   Certificate (if registered land)

5. This request is for certification that (check one):

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   [ ] the above-referenced Order of Conditions has lapsed and is therefore no longer valid, and the
   
   work regulated by it was never started.
A. Project Information (cont.)

6. Did the Order of Conditions for this project, or the portion of the project subject to this request, contain an approval of any plans stamped by a registered professional engineer, architect, landscape architect, or land surveyor?

☑ Yes If yes, attach a written statement by such a professional certifying substantial compliance with the plans and describing what deviation, if any, exists from the plans approved in the Order.

☐ No

B. Submittal Requirements

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