

Lee Conservation Commission
Minutes of Meeting of April 4, 2022

Present members: C. Fisher (Secretary), Dawn Genes (Chair), Dave Shay, Deb Sugerman, Anne Tappan
Others Present: Chuck Cox, Marc Jacobs, Scott Lawler, Aaron Wiswell

Purpose of Meeting: Site visit by members of the Lee Conservation Commission (LCC) to view area where a proposed car wash will be constructed on Route 4 (68 Concord Rd., Tax Map 7, Lot 8-4).

Carwash Site Visit: A. Tappan requested an overview of how the proposed car wash will operate. LCC members were shown where the car wash structure will be built, and viewed the stormwater management area and septic area. D. Genes noted that the plan for the site had been changed so that the dumpsters had been oriented away from the wetland. A. Tappan asked about landscaping and recommended using native species; S. Lawler and M. Jacobs reported that the landscaper they have in mind has worked with native species in the past. A. Tappan pointed out several invasive species growing along the perimeter of the property and S. Lawler, M. Jacobs and A. Wiswell agreed that these, and any others encountered on the property, would be removed.

Following the tour of the proposed car wash installation, C. Fisher, D. Genes, D. Shay, D. Sugerman, and A. Tappan discussed the proposal. A. Tappan moved that the LCC would not oppose the proposed construction of a car wash; D. Sugerman seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by LCC members present.

Knotweed Treatment at Joe Ford Wildlife Sanctuary (JFWS): A. Tappan reported that she and C. Fisher had visited JFWS on Sunday, April 3 and looked over the possible test area for Doug Cygan to test the use of hardware cloth to treat Japanese knotweed. Several sectors in the State will be tested in this way. Approximately \$200.00 will be needed to purchase sheets of 1/2 hardware cloth and the long metal staples needed to keep them in place. D. Sugerman moved to approve an amount not to exceed \$250.00 for the purchase a roll of 1/2 inch hardware cloth and staples to treat knotweed. C. Fisher seconded and the motions was unanimously approved by LCC members present.