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**Meeting Minutes of the Conservation Meeting of
May 18, 2021
REMOTE PUBLIC HEARING VIA ZOOM**

Members Absent

**Chairman, Dennis Audette
Commissioner Paul Pacheco
Commissioner Kimberly Rioux**

Staff Present

**Chancery Perks, Conservation Agent
Sandy Douglas, Admin. Coordinator**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

**Chairman Audette read Conservation Commission Remote Open Meeting
Procedures as follows:**

This is Conservation Commission Vice-Chairman Peter Blanchard speaking and opening the remote Conservation Commission meeting of May 18, 2021, at 6:30 PM.

Please permit me to confirm that all members and persons anticipated on the agenda are present and can hear me:

Conservation Commission members when I call your name please respond in the affirmative:
Commissioner Sean Carney-Present.

Conservation Commissioners not present, Chairman Dennis Audette, Commissioner Paul Pacheco, and Commissioner Kimberly Rioux.

Conservation Commission staff please respond in the affirmative: Conservation Agent Chancery Perks-Present, Administrative Coordinator Sandy Douglas-Present.

Anticipated speakers on the Agenda please respond in the affirmative:

Jamie Bissonnette of Zenith Consulting Engineers for Almy Street



Stephen Silverstein for Cisco New Bedford, LLC, 1480 East Rodney French Boulevard

This Open meeting of the Conservation Commission is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 Virus.

The Order allows public bodies to meet entirely remotely so long as reasonable public access is afforded so that the public can follow along with the deliberations of the meeting.

Ensuring public access does not ensure public participation unless such participation is required by law. This meeting will feature public comment.

Meeting Materials: All supporting materials have been provided to members of this body and are available on the City website unless otherwise noted. The public is encouraged to follow along using the posted agenda.

Agent Perks at this time advised that he was just recently made aware that a fifth Conservation Commissioner had been sworn in and since we now have five members and there are only two Commissioners present this evening, he doesn't believe that the meeting can continue since we do not have an appropriate quorum.

Commissioner Carney and Sandy Douglas both agreed that there isn't a quorum this evening.

Commissioner Carney apologized to the applicants present this evening and made a motion to continue this meeting to June 1st, 2020. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Blanchard.

Sandy Douglas suggested continuing the meeting until next Tuesday, May 25th instead of June 1st. The Commissioners and Agent agreed to continue to Tuesday, May 25th. Sandy Douglas contacted Commissioner Pacheco and he is available along with Vice-Chairman Blanchard and Commissioner Carney on May 25th.

The applicants present are available to attend the meeting on Tuesday, May 25th.

Commissioner Carney made a motion to continue until Tuesday, May 25th. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Blanchard. All in favor. Motion carries.

Commissioner Carney made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Blanchard. All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Douglas, Administrative Coordinator

