

**CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**



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MINUTES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 13, 2019
7:00 PM

This meeting was taped and will be available on walpolemedia.tv

Present: Al Goetz (Vice Chairman) Betsey Dyer, Emidio Di Virgilio, Roger Turner

Absent: Jack Wiley (Chairman)

Also present: Conservation Agent, Landis Hershey; Board Secretary, Amy Messier

The Conservation Agent Report dated January 23, 2019 was given to members.

Vice Chair Al Goetz opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

7:00 PM:

Continued Notice of Intent, SR II Ventures LLC, 8 Gigi's Way, DEP #315-1184:

Goetz opened the hearing, and read a letter addressed to the Commission from the Applicant stating that he is requesting a continuance without testimony to a later time. Dyer made a motion to continue the hearing to March 13, 2019 at 7:00 PM in Room 112, seconded by Di Virgilio, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio)

7:15 PM:

Continued Notice of Intent, by Donald Urquhart, 2080 Main St., DEP #315-1185:

Goetz opened the hearing, Applicant Donald Urquhart was present and requested a continuance without testimony due to the engineer not being present. Dyer made a motion to continue the hearing to February 27, 2019 at 7:35 PM in Room 112, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio)

7:30 PM:

Continued Notice of Intent, by Supa Cars, LLC., 1900 Main St., DEP #315-1186:

Goetz opened the hearing, Applicant Melissa Young was present and requested a continuance without testimony due to the engineer not being present. Dyer made a motion to continue the hearing to February 27, 2019 at 7:40 PM in Room 112, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio).

7:45 PM:

Determination of Applicability, Joseph Kelly, 300 East Street:

Goetz opened the hearing, and read bd. comments. Applicant Joseph Kelly was present, and explained to the Commission that the proposed project is to remove the existing garage that is in poor condition, and construct a new garage that is approx. 20 ft. larger. The garage is to be placed on a concrete slab with no debris to be stored on the property- with the removal of debris to take place while excavation is happening. Hershey stated that the Applicant is to install erosion control and orange construction fencing, and recommended a Negative 3 Determination. Dyer made a motion to issue a Negative 3 Determination with conditions discussed above, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio).

8:00 PM:

Notice of Intent, Department of Corrections, 2405 Main St., DEP #315-1190:

Goetz opened the hearing and read bd. comments. James Luker from Arcadis was present on behalf of the Applicant and explained to the Commission the proposed project to remove the existing 25,000 gallon tank located within a paved area and replace the tank with a new 10,000 gallon tank. The areas will be restored to their previous condition. The wetlands are located on both the North and South sides of the property. Hershey stated that during construction erosion controls shall be maintained until the site is stabilized, and any environmental findings shall be reported to the Commission upon finding. It was stated that if any additional areas are required to be excavated then the Commission shall be notified in writing. Goetz opened the hearing up to the public for comment, which there was none. Dyer made a motion to close the hearing, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio). Dyer made a motion to issue an Order of Conditions with the conditions discussed above, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio).

GENERAL BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

Minutes: No minutes were accepted at this time.

Minor Modification: MBTA Franklin Line double track DEP #315-1152: Addie Kim was present on behalf of HNTB Corp., and explained to the Commission that minor changes have been made to an existing Order of Conditions for the Franklin Line Double Track Project- which consist of; bridge crossing to be 15 ft. track center and previously proposed 13 ft. track center, with change in alignment, the track is now further from the wetlands. Another minor change is adjusting the grading and erosion control further away from wetlands compared to the location previously depicted. Dyer made a motion to accept minor modification, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio).

Enforcement Orders/ Notice of Noncompliance:

Main St. #1900, DEP #315-1043 (deadline 5/1/18): hearing currently before the Commission

Boyden Estates – Summer Street DEP #315-1099 – Notice of Noncompliance 4/25: no new updates

231 Bullard Street – Notice of Noncompliance: Stream bank still needs to be stabilized

275 Bullard Street – Notice of Noncompliance : no new updates

3 Covey Rd.- Notice of Noncompliance (deadline 2/25): still waiting on submission of planting plan

1720 Washington Street- Enforcement Order: Mr. Whisman was present, and explained to the Commission that he hired a company called Clean Basin- who went on his property and found blockage 50 ft. into pipe. Mr. Whisman was able to break into pipe and install temporary bypass, and then placed a tarp and plywood over the hole to avoid anyone falling into hole. The water is temporarily drained for now, and screening and riprap is to be placed at inlet outside off his property. Hershey stated that a modification to the E.O. to state that the flow is

to be maintained across his property to the wetlands would be appropriate. Turner made a motion to have Hershey modify the E.O. to state that the flow is to be maintained across Mr. Whisman's property to the wetlands, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio).

*Helen of 951 South St. (neighbor) was present and conveyed to the Commission that there is water still on her property.

Requests for Certificate of Compliance:

N/A

Requests for Extension:

Whitman Homes, Roscommon subdiv., DEP #315-1094: Dyer made a motion to issue a 1-year extension, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Di Virgilio).

Correspondence/ Other Business:

Columbia Gas- 12 Arlington Lane: Columbia Gas to run gas line along existing utility line at address. Commission had no comments.

Board Comment Requests:

ZBA:

98 Summit Ave: no jurisdiction

1049 Main Street: no jurisdiction

27 John Turco Dr.: no jurisdiction

Plng:

Foxhill: changes on plans are to be submitted to Conservation Agent along with letter outlining changes

Renmar AQV: changes on plans are to be submitted to Conservation Agent along with letter outlining changes

Dyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Di Virgilio, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Goetz, Dyer, Turner, Divirgilio). The Commission adjourned at 8:30 PM