

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



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MINUTES CONSERVATION COMMISSION June 27, 2018 7:00 PM

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

Present: Jack Wiley (Chairman) Al Goetz (Vice Chairman) Betsey Dyer, Roger Turner

Also present: Amy Messier, Board Secretary

Absent: Conservation Agent: Landis Hershey, Emidio Di Virgilio

The Conservation Agent Report dated June 27, 2018 was given to members.

Chairman Jack Wiley opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

7:00 PM:

Notice of Intent, by Joseph Verderber, Lot 1 Portland Way, DEP #315-1165:

Wiley opened the hearing and read bd. comments from sewer & water, and finance Dept. Rob Truax from GLM Engineering was present on behalf of the Applicant. Truax explained this is Lot 1 of the Pine Acres subdivision that is already approved with an Order of Conditions. The proposed single family house has a walk out basement, with grading. The roof run off is a proposed recharge system. Erosion controls will be placed along the stone wall along the 25 ft. buffer. Hershey had no comments or concerns. Wiley opened the hearing up to the public for comment, which there was none. Goetz made a motion to close the hearing, seconded by Dyer the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner). Goetz made a motion to issue a standard order, contingent upon outstanding bills being taken care of with the Finance dept., seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner).

7:17 PM:

Notice of Intent, by Joseph Verderber, Lot 3 Portland Way, DEP #315-1166:

Wiley opened the hearing and read bd. comments which consisted of comments from sewer & water, finance dept. and the Town Engineer. Rob Truax from GLM Engineering was present on behalf of the Applicant. Truax explained this is Lot 3 of the Pine Acres subdivision that is already approved with an Order of Conditions. The proposed single family house has a walk out basement, with grading. Underground drainage/retention system in the corner of the lot has already been installed, which will be identified and flagged during construction. Silt barriers are to be installed along the 100 ft. buffer on the lot. Truax stated he will add wetlands bounds on each property line and one in the middle (3 in straight line on property line) to the plan. Wiley opened the hearing up

to the public for comment, which there wasn't any. Goetz made a motion to close the hearing, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner). Goetz made a motion to issue an Order of Conditions contingent upon outstanding bills being taken care of with the Finance dept., along with revised plans regarding flagging and plaques, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner).

7:30 PM:

Continued Notice of Intent, by Susan Brissette, 100 Rustic Rd., DEP #315-1157:

Wiley opened the hearing, and read bd. comments pertaining to the revised plans that were submitted on 6/25/18, which consisted of the following: Planning Bd. and Town Engineer. Frank Gallagher of Gallagher Engineering was present on behalf of the applicant. Gallagher explained that he has had one hearing with the Planning Bd. and is currently before them again on August 16, 2018. Gallagher explained the changes made to the newly submitted plans, including; identification of the intermittent stream, placement of flag numbers A1-2 & B1-2, placement of roof drains to be proposed into underground leaching pits, addition of note on plans regarding removal of manmade material and fallen trees to be removed w. the guidance of the Commission, install no alteration plaques- spaced every 50 ft. at limit of work with added detail of what the sign would look like. Wiley suggested that an approval on the roadway should be filed and approved before this filing, due to the possible changes of the lot configurations. Goetz made a motion to continue the hearing to t 8/8/18 at 7:05, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner).

8:10 PM:

Request for Determination of Applicability, by John Buchanan, 12 Timberline Drive:

Wiley opened the hearing, and read bd. comments from the Town Engineer. Representing the applicant is Dana Schock, who explained to the Commission that the property is a nine acre site, and the proposed project of the installation of a pool, patio, and landscaping within the 100 ft. buffer does not require any removal of trees/shrubs etc. It was stated that there are lots of permeable materials that will not effect drainage patterns. The existing wood deck in back of the house is to be repaired and addition of lower level which will require one 10 inch sonotube in the ground. Erosion controls will be in place for excavation on site, and any stock piling material will be outside of the buffer zone. Wiley opened the hearing up to the public for comment, which there was none. Goetz made a motion to close the hearing, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner). Goetz made a motion to issue a Negative 3 Determination with the condition that any stock piling of material will be outside of the buffer zone, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner).

8:25 PM:

Continued Notice of Intent, by Pulte Homes of New England, LLC., 767-777 East Street, DEP #315-1148:

Wiley opened the hearing and read a letter addressed to the Commission from Pulte Homes of New England, LLC requesting a continuance to the July 11, 2018 meeting. Goetz made a motion to continue the hearing to July 11, 2018 at 8:00 PM in Room 112, seconded by Turner, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner)

DISCUSSION: Turners Pond

Present: James Ruppenthal of 8 Elmcrest Circle; Rachel M. of 12 Elmcrest Circle; Philip Dubois of 12 Millpond Rd.; Laura Garrity of 11 Elmcrest Circle

- Abutters of pond expressed concern regarding low water level, weed overgrowth, and low oxygen levels in water.
- The commission explained to the abutters that the pond has just been treated within the past few days and a low water level during treatment is optimal for the treatment of the weeds. After the treatment the DPW will be asked to install boards in order to elevate the water level. The Commission explained that it is important to not allow lawn fertilizer into the pond due to weed overgrowth. It was explained that ponds are expensive to treat and that if more treatments or a water fountain for oxygen levels is wanted, it must go to Town Meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

Minutes: No minutes were accepted at this time.

Enforcement Orders/ Notice of Noncompliance:

609 Lincoln Rd.: No action necessary at this time.

1900 Main St.: No new information or action is necessary at this time.

Boyden Estates: Two fines were issued to Lou Petrozzi for the clearing of additional lands and not stabilizing site as per Order of Conditions. \$300.00 was the fine amount for each of the violations, with a total of \$600.00. The notice was sent via certified mail on 7/14/18, with the fine due by 7/5/18. Petrozzi came in to the office on 6/22/18 and was handed copies of the fines.

Requests for Extension:

N/A

Requests for Certificate of Compliance:

Southside, LLC., 505 South Street, DEP#315-696: Goetz made a motion to issue a certificate of compliance, seconded by Dyer, the motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner)

Civil Design Group, LLC., 1324-1336 Main St., DEP #315-1058: Not issued at this time.

Correspondence/ Other Business:

N/A

Board Comment Requests:

N/A

Goetz made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dyer. The motion carried 4-0-0 (Wiley, Goetz, Dyer, Turner).
The Commission adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Accepted 7/11/18

