

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
(Approved 1/09/13)**

**DECEMBER 12, 2012**

**Present: J. Wiley, Chairman**

**B. Dyer, D. Adams, R. Turner, J. Finnigan**

**Absent: Sean Sparks, Al Goetz**

**Also Present: Landis Hershey, Conservation Agent**

**MEETING OPENED: 7:00**

**PUBLIC MEETING  
EASTLAND CIR.  
REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION**

**Opened: 7:05**

Mr. Wiley read the advertisement from the Walpole Times. Certificate of mailings  
Were collected

There were no board comments to be read into the record.

Plans entitled "Plan of Existing Conditions, Eastland Circle" dated January 31, 2001 were  
presented to the commission for review.

Ms. Maggie Walker, Town Engineer was present on behalf of the Town Of Walpole with  
this Request for Determination of Applicability. The project entails the installation of a  
water main, hydrant and four domestic water services to be installed at Eastland Cir. Also  
a sewer main is included in this filing but will not occur until springtime. Ms. Walker  
stated the street is located off of East and Washington St. and is a gravel private road. Ms.  
Walker stated she found out today that the water main got worse and the work was  
completed by the Water and Sewer Dept.'s without her knowledge. She believes it was  
considered an emergency as the old water line is leaking and they were unable to find the  
leak.

Ms. Hershey stated she has been onsite. There is a brook located at the end of the gravel,  
private road which is why it was filed under a Determination. She has no concerns with  
this

Mr. Wiley asked for questions or comments from the audience

Mr. Kevin Feeley, Eastland Cir. Is a resident on the street and wanted to express his appreciation to the Town for taking care of this matter. He stated water pressures have been a real problem for many years, and there are obviously leakage problems. The neighbors are appreciative this will be corrected.

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to close the Public Meeting**

**Mr. Turner seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

**Closed: 7:10**

The commission discussed erosion controls being in place during construction

**Mrs. Dyer made motion to approve and issue a Negative 3 Determination**

**Mr. Turner seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

### **PARTIAL**

### **WISTERIA WAYS II – ROADWORK**

### **DEP 315-424**

Mr. John Walsh was present and a discussion was held regarding the detention basin which is in need of some maintenance work. He explained this isn't part of this request for a Partial Certificate, and is the homeowner's responsibility. The commission discussed getting in touch with the homeowner.

Mr. Walsh stated the Town Engineer would like the partial certificate as the request for street acceptance will be coming up in the spring.

The board stated they are satisfied and have no problem with the issuance

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to approve and issue a Partial Certificate of Compliance for Gristmill Station 7+100 including stormwater structures**

**Mr. Turner seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

A discussion was held regarding the boards on Turner Pond. The commission discussed a 4" board be put in. Ms. Hershey will speak with the DPW.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **TURNER POND DAM**

Ms. Walker, Town Engineer requested a discussion regarding the dam located off Rt. 27 on Mill Pond Rd. The dam was found to be in poor condition when inspected over a year ago, and DCR is now insisting the Town remedy this. She explained there are trees and brush on both sides of the street which will need to be cleared and cut in order to see what needs to be done. She was inquiring as to whether this could occur under the generic Town Order, or if a filing would be needed. After discussion, the board felt the Town Order would suffice and that further down the road a filing would be necessary once dam repair was needed.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Municipal work order – 135 School St. Memorial Bridge Area

Ms. Hershey stated the removal of two large trees were necessary on the down stream side of the bridge. Others were removed on the Memorial Pond side, as directed by State Dam Safety Inspector. This work was completed under the Municipal work order DEP# 315-683

## **STAFF EVALUATION**

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:50 to discuss the performance evaluation for the Administrative Board Secretary**

**Mr. Turner seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

Mr. Wiley asked for a roll call vote;

**Mr. Wiley – aye; Ms. Dyer – aye; Mr. Turner – aye; Mr. Adams – aye; Mr. Finnigan - aye**

The commission discussed going back to regular session once the Executive Session is completed

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to go out of Executive Session at 7:59**

**Mr. Turner seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

The Chairman asked for a roll call vote;

**Mr. Wiley – aye; Ms. Dyer – aye; Mr. Turner – aye; Mr. Adams – aye; Mr. Finnigan - aye**

## **MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2012**

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to approve and accept the Minutes for November 14, 2012**

**Mr. Adams seconded the motion**

**Vote: 4-0-1 (Mr. Turner abstained)**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Hershey stated that at Smith and Gould St. it was reported that there was a damaged headwall and culvert at the bridge as well as a sinkhole. The Town DPW needed to repair and secure the area. When more work is needed an Emergency Certificate shall be issued

## **DISCUSSION**

Mr. Adams discussed the site walk that was held in the area behind Walpole Park South this past Saturday. It was recognized the area needs to be cleared of brush. A discussion was held about Timber harvesting

## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

Walpole Park South VIII is requesting a Certificate of Compliance for the Land Disturbance Permit. Ms. Hershey says the work has been completed according to the plan and Land Disturbance Permit issued under the Walpole Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Bylaw

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance**

**Mr. Finnigan seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

## **CONSERVATION BUDGET**

**Ms. Dyer made the motion to approve the Budget as presented**

**Mr. Finnigan seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

## **BOARD COMMENTS**

Walpole Place - The Planning Board is requesting comments. Ms. Hershey said they have made some changes to the landscaping plan and the basin, but they are minor and she has no issues

Renmar Ave. #14 – The Zoning Board of Appeals is requesting comments. Ms. Hershey said it includes an addition to an existing building and she has no issues. The commission discussed it is out of their jurisdiction

## **ENFORCEMENT ORDER**

Ms. Hershey stated nothing is new on the Enforcement Order on 400 South St.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was discussed and available for the boards review:

- Aquatic Control – 2012 Year end report Turners and Clarks Pond
- Hancock Ct. #8 letter
- Walpole Fall Annual Town Meeting – Article 17

**Mr. Adams made the motion to adjourn**

**Ms. Dyer seconded the motion**

**Vote: 5-0-0**

**Meeting Closed: 8:45**