CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES (Approved 5/25/11)

APRIL 27, 2011

PRESENT: A. Goetz, Vice Chairman

B. Dyer, R. Turner, S. Sparks, D. Adams

ABSENT: J. Wiley, J. Finnigan

ALSO PRESENT: L. Hershey, Conservation Agent

P. Smith, Board Secretary

MEETING OPENED: 7:00

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OF INTENT LOT 1 NORTH ST. DEP# 315-969

Mr. Goetz read the advertisement from the Walpole Times. Green cards were collected

Board comments were read into the record

Mr. Rick Goodrow, of United Consultants was present representing the applicant Mr. and Mrs. Lorusso, who were also present. Mr. Goodrow presented plans titled "Site and Septic System Design Lot 1 North St." dated 3/22/11 for the board to review. He stated this project is for the construction of a single family house including a driveway, septic system and landscaping. Mr. Goodrow stated that the house and septic system will not be located within a resource area or buffer zone, but that a portion of the driveway and landscaping will be located within the outer riparian zone. He stated the construction of the new driveway will connect to the existing one to provide access to the new house. Mr. Goodrow stated this filing includes the proposal for three roof recharge systems to promote groundwater recharge which was the intent of this particular design. He stated detail has been provided on the plans. Mr. Goodrow also stated that test pits were completed. Mr. Goodrow stated the inner riparian zone has been shown and labeled on the plan as well as the 100 foot buffer, and there will be no ground disturbance in that area. The filing includes the removal of nine cedar trees located within the outer riparian zone and they will be cut and ground with no stump removal needed.

Mr. Adams asked why the trees would be removed and Mr. Goodrow stated for the area to be opened up

Mr. Turner asked if there was a plan to replace them and Mr. Goodrow stated it was not the intent to replace them

Ms. Hershey asked for more detail regarding about erosion control and stormwater management. She stated a Land Disturbance permit was not required because the applicant filed a Notice of Intent but wanted to know measures that would be taken.

Mr. Goodrow stated erosion controls would be in place including silt socks, a material stockpile area would be located to the Northeast of the house outside the buffer, a concrete washout area would be in place as well. He stated the proposal to landscape around the area to include mulch and the area would be stabilized once completed.

Ms. Hershey asked about material coming in

Mr. Goodrow stated materials excavated from the house construction will be used in the septic area. He also stated swales would be put in and used to capture the water and direct it away from the house and septic area

Ms. Hershey stated she completed a site visit with Mr. Goodrow and walked the boundary of the riverfront area and that she had no issues with this filing

Mr. Goetz discussed the materials to be used for the new driveway. He stated he thinks pervious asphalt or pervious concrete should be considered.

Mr. Goodrow stated pervious pavers could be used, but he did not think it necessary because the area is flat and the vegetation is contained.

Applicant Tony Lorusso stated he sees no problem looking into the use of pervious concrete or asphalt

Mr. Turner made the motion to close the Public Hearing Ms. Dyer seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0 Closed: 7:20

The commission discussed the applicant shall investigate the use of either pervious asphalt or concrete and inform the commission of what is decided.

Ms. Dyer made the motion to approve and issue an Order of Conditions

Mr. Turner seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0

OTHER BUSINESS

MINOR MODIFICATION

WALMART STORES EAST

Attorney Phil Macchi and the Assistant Project Manager from Bohler Engineering was present. Attorney Macchi stated the Planning Board recently endorsed changes made to the site plan as minor modifications. The conservation commission issued a Land Disturbance permit in 2010, and they are requesting the board accept and grant these changes as well in order to parallel the Site Plan modifications

Mr. Andrew Manning, Assistant Project Manager from Bohler presented a plan to show the primary changes. He stated the parking in the back will be modified slightly, elevation of the building is slightly changed, the garden center will be brought forward a few feet and enclosures will be added which include screening. Mr. Manning also stated there will be minor relocation of some parking spaces, and nothing will be changed in regards to drainage. Erosion controls will remain the same. While the project is on-going he stated they will look at the existing retaining wall and determine the life expectancy and whether repair options need to be considered.

Mr. Goetz discussed his concern with the storage of fertilizers in the garden center and whether this will continue. His concern is that these materials get into the storm drain

Attorney Macchi stated they are looking into improvements including putting a canopy over the garden center.

Ms. Dyer made the motion to accept the changes as presented as a minor modification to the Land Disturbance permit

Mr. Turner seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0

Ms. Dyer made the motion to grant the changes as presented as a minor modification to the Land Disturbance permit

Mr. Turner seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0

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Ms. Dyer made the motion to approve the Minutes for April 13, 2011

Mr. Adams seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0

ENFORCEMENT ORDERS

South St. # 400 - The commission discussed the fact a plan has not been submitted for review as of yet. The commission would like a letter sent to GLM Engineering giving the date of May 25, 2011, which is the next conservation commission meeting date, as a deadline. The board would like plans submitted by that date showing the current wetland line, what has been filled and how to remedy the situation. If this is not completed by the above date the commission stated fines will be issued.

Tanglewood Dr. #8 – Nothing new on this. A report is required to be submitted in May

Deepwater Ln. #8 – There is nothing new on this **West St. #440** – A report on the replication area is due in May

APPEALS

Frontier Dr. Lot 18 – Ms. Hershey stated there is nothing new on this

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was discussed and available for review

- MACC News
- Mass Wildlife Newsletter
- Boy Scout Trail Clean up project
- Beals and Thomas

Mr. Goetz made the motion to cancel the meeting scheduled for May 11, 2011

Ms. Dyer seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0

Mr. Goetz made the motion to adjourn

Ms. Dyer seconded the motion

Vote: 5-0-0

Meeting closed: 8:45