



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
August 9, 2017
7:00 PM

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Present: Jack Wiley (Chair), Betsey Dyer, Roger Turner, Jim Finnigan & Emidio Di Virgilio
Absent: Al Goetz (Vice Chairman)

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

The Conservation Agent Report dated August 9, 2017 was given to members.

Chairman Jack Wiley opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Continued Notice of Intent, by SR II Ventures, Lot 30 Gigi's Wy., DEP # 315-1117:

A letter was received on August 3, 2017 requesting a continuance without testimony until the next meeting date of September 13, 2017. Conservation Agent Landis Hershey recommended that the Commission ask Mr. Viano to withdraw his application and re-submit when he has the revised plan and to credit him the filing fee up to the amount he has already paid for the current filing if there is another request for continuance for the September 13, 2017 meeting. Dyer made a motion to continue the hearing to September 13, 2017 @ 7:15 PM, seconded by Finnigan, the vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio).

Notice of Intent, by Town of Walpole, 1385 Washington St., DPW Garage, DEP #315-1136:

Was present on behalf of the Town of Walpole to present the proposed DPW garage was Ross Waldren. The proposed project consists of the construction of a new DPW garage, in which the building will be located outside of buffer zone, with the stormwater management structure located within the 100 ft. buffer zone with associated grading. Since the majority of the building site was a gravel parking-lot area, the stormwater should be considered to meet the standards to the maximum extent practicable- which is met. There are also no other stormwater management structures on this site which is an improvement. Ms. Hershey stated that the silt sox should be

extended up along the edge of the DPW driveway to the tomb and on the other side of the proposed 187 contour, and dewatering should still take place in a settling basin. Dyer made a motion to issue an order of conditions, seconded by Di Virgilio with conditions of extended erosion controls, dewatering system and the submittal of details regarding the oil tank. The vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio).

GENERAL BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Minutes: Dyer made a motion to accept the minutes of July 12, 2017, seconded by Finnigan, with the correction of changing “motion to grant order of conditions” to “motion to amend the order of conditions” for both 18 Arlington Ln and Eastover Condominiums. The vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio).

Enforcement Orders/ Orders of Non Compliance:

Main St. #1900, DEP #315-1043: The Applicant has not provided the Town with a check for peer review as of 8/9/17, Conservation Agent Landis Hershey stated that she has gone back and forth via email with the Melissa, who stated she needed more time to acquire the money for the peer review (7/17/17), and there has not been any further communication regarding the matter. Ms. Hershey recommends enforcing the Restoration Plan and requiring all tasks to be completed by 9/1/17, and if not completed, for the Commission to consider back fining the Applicant at least \$100/per day. Finnigan made a motion to enter into executive session regarding this matter, seconded by Dyer, roll call: Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Turner, Di Virgilio, at 8:00 Dyer made a motion to exit executive session and return back to open session, seconded by Di Virgilio, roll call: Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio. The Commission stated that the Applicant must start the Restoration Plan no later than 9/1/17, and must have it completed by 9/10/17, if the Applicant fails to complete by these said deadlines, a fine up to \$300.00/per day will be enforced based on violation by the Town Bylaw. A motion was made by Dyer, seconded by Finnigan that at the next hearing of September 13, 2017, this issue will be discussed for the next steps if action is needed- the vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio).

609 Lincoln Rd. : An Enforcement Order was issued soon after the last meeting on 7/12/17, and the owner has complied with the E.O. to date. Ms. Hershey stated that she will be visiting the site in October to see progress of the vegetation, and will also visit the site again in the spring, the Commission was satisfied with this plan.

Requests for Certificates of Compliance:

Mark Robinson, 7 Boulder Trail, DEP #315-398: As-built plans still need to be submitted, therefore the Certificate of Compliance was not issued at this time.

Requests for Extension:

John McChesney, 255 Bullard St., DEP #315-971: Dyer made a motion to grant a one-year extension, seconded by Finnigan, the vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio).

Louis Hoegler, Lost Brook Trail subdivision, DEP #315-847: Dyer made a motion to grant a one-year extension, seconded by Finnigan, the vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio).

Correspondence:

Mass-DOT submitted a notification of exempt work for the installation of structures for Positive Train Control Project (a communications maintenance project).

Board Comment Requests:

ZBA-

29 Federal Street: Not within jurisdiction.

1079 West St.: Not within jurisdiction. (Wetlands on lot but appears to be over 100 ft. away).

7 Longwood Ln.: Not within jurisdiction.

Planning-

Pine Acres- 388 North St., 4-lot sub division: The Applicant will have to file with the Conservation Commission due to the wetlands on the property.

Dyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Finnigan. The vote carried 5-0-0 (Wiley, Dyer, Turner, Finnigan, Di Virgilio). The Commission adjourned at 8:06 PM.