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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes: Conservation Commission Meeting Date: May 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Location: Champagne Meeting Room, 50 Carby Street, Westwood, MA

7:00 p.m.

The Conservation Commission meeting of May 23, 2018 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Champagne Meeting Room, 50 Carby Street with the following members present: John Rogers, Stephen David, Helen Gordon, Todd Sullivan, Todd Weston, Charles Pare and associate member, Vesna Maneva. Also present is Karon Skinner Catrone, Conservation Agent.

Approval of minutes – February 28, 2018 and March 14, 2018 – tabled to the next meeting.

Discussion Items

Enforcement Order – 1561 High Street - DEP #338-0520

Present are neighbors from Reynolds Farm Way. Also present is Mr. Glossa of Glossa Engineering, representing Mr. Musto.

Mr. Rogers states the Commission has not received any new information regarding Reynolds Farm.

We have not finalized the punch list and we are waiting for a cost to complete from the Town Engineer.

The Neighbors express their frustration because they feel nothing has been done.

Mr. Rogers explains that all parties involved have been doing all that they can.

Mr. Rogers states this is being worked through as quickly and completely as possible. The Town Engineer has to get us a cost estimate and this estimate then needs to be incorporated into a legal agreement.

Mr. David states he understands the timeline is frustrating but if the Homeowner's Association decides to take this through the court system it will take much longer.

Sandy McWhirter of 21 Reynolds Farm Way asks what a realistic timeline is for receiving this cost estimate.

Mr. Rogers states there is a lot of work involved.

Mr. Rogers states the Commission is hopeful we can get this done by June but we cannot commit to a date.

Eagle Scout Project at the High School and Buckmaster Pond - Resker

Present is Henery Resker. Mr. Resker presented his Eagle Scout project to the Commission several months ago. His project is the construction and installation of two bat houses.

Mr. Resker's states he is here tonight to show the Commission his completed project. He states in a couple weeks we will be installing the houses. One will be installed behind the high school and the other at Buckmaster Pond.

Mr. Rogers states there will need to be research done on installing the houses. They are very heavy and could cause a danger factor.

Perry Crouse Pond

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Present is Ken Foscaldo of 35 Norfolk Avenue. Mr. Foscaldo states he wanted to thank the Commission, DPW and especially Karon Catrone for the effort involved in the hydro raking of Perry Crouse Pond. Solitude did a great job and everyone in the neighborhood is delighted.

Mr. Rogers states the Town is currently working on updating the Open Space and Recreation Plan which will allow the Town to be eligible for grants for project such as this. The Town is also discussing the Community Preservation Act which could bring more funding.

Minor Modification - 35 Autumn Drive - DEP #338-0520 – Gobbi - Mr. David steps out of the meeting to avoid any possible conflicts.

Present is John Glossa of Glossa Engineering, representing Frank Gobbi.

Mr. Glossa explains the lot has been revised to reflect the lot lines amended and shown on the plan signed by the Westwood Planning Board on April 23, 2018 (that plan being filed in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 668, Page 99). The building will be constructed as shown on the revised plan. The building footprint is slightly smaller than the approved building and is farther away from the wetland (99 feet versus 94 feet). The building will extend back closer to the rear lot line and the proposed deck is slightly larger than the approved deck. There was a zoning change which required the lot lines be amended.

Motion made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Pare to approve the minor modification. Unanimous.

Open Space and Recreation Plan meeting - Mr. Rogers states he attended the last meeting and feels the vision for the plan is not right. We have a lot of land but we want more quality to the land. We need to get this plan finished. CPA funds are being discussed. The Commission needs to find out what the split of the funds would be. Mr. Rogers asks Ms. Catrone to email everyone the consultant list that he sent out some months ago.

Hearings

ANRAD – DEP #338-0? – 405 Nahatan Street – wetland boundary confirmation.

Mr. Rogers asks if anyone from the public is present for this hearing. No one is present for this hearing. He states the hearing has been continued to June 13, 2018 at 7:00p.m. at the request of the applicant. The applicant should re-notify the abutters because this has been continued for so long.

Motion made by Mr. Pare, seconded by Mr. David, to continue the hearing to June 13, 2018. The applicant must re-notify the abutters. If the applicant decides to pursue this beyond the next meeting the Commission will ask for a peer review. Unanimous.

Notice of Intent - DEP#338-0 - 295 Grove Street – Tierney- Ms. Catrone states the applicant has requested a continuance to the next meeting due to a problem with the abutter notification.

Motion made by Mr. Pare, seconded by Ms. Gordon to continue the hearing to June 13, 2018 at 7:00 at the request of the applicant. Unanimous.

Notice of Intent - DEP #338-0 - 110 Stanford Drive - Dalton – Present is David Johnson of Norwood Engineering representing Brian and Kathleen Dalton. The owners are proposing a 6' x 18' addition and would like to move the bulkhead to the side of the house.

Mr. Johnson states we are showing a construction apron, compost sock and orange construction fence on the plan. The bulkhead relocation is to make the plumbing of the addition easier. The lot was delineated by John Rockwood. Mr. Pare states there will need to be a plan for dewatering .

Motion made by Mr. Weston, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to issue a standard Order of Conditions with the condition if dewatering is required a bag is used to catch the silt or a dewatering area is set up. Unanimous.

Motion made by Mr. Pare, seconded by Mr. David, to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous.

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