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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**Minutes: Conservation Commission Meeting Date: May 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Location: Champagne Meeting Room, 50 Carby Street, Westwood, MA**

### 7:00 p.m.

The Conservation Commission meeting of May 24, 2017 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Champagne Meeting Room, 50 Carby Street with the following members present: John Rogers, Diane Hayes, R. J. Sheer, Todd Sullivan, Todd Weston and Charles Pare. Helen Gorman is present but has not been sworn in so is not able to vote. Also present is Karon Skinner Catrone, Conservation Agent.

**Highland Glen – Certificate of Compliance** - Present is Nate Cheal of Tatra Tech representing Highland Glen. The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Compliance. He states the buildings have just been purchased as part of a transaction between two companies. Under the original Order there was some work that was not completed. The Order required two wetland areas in the rear of the buildings to be looked at for vernal pool certification and 350 sq. ft. of replication was required in the area of the detention basin. The vernal pools will be certified by Tectra Tech. Invasive plant removal will be looked at under an RDA. Mr. Rogers states he did a site visit and everything looked good.

Nancy Winn, of 108 Wildwood Road states she is the most impacted abutter. The notice does not reflect the hearing. This should not be granted. This project was granted in 1967 with no further building. The work in 2005 was to be done in three years. The Comprehensive permit references the wetlands. I have been living with a nightmare behind me. I am the one with an easement under my property.

Ms. Catrone states the applicant is doing all the work the Commission has required and then some.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Weston, to issue a Certificate of Compliance. Unanimous.**

**RDA – 1055- 1155 Highland Glen Road - Highland Glen** –Present is Nate Cheal of Tatra Tech representing Highland Glen. The applicant is requesting a Negative Determination for work on the sidewalks and the driveway to meet ADA compliance and clean out the drainage swales. The work will create 200 sq. ft. of additional impervious on the site.

Mr. Rogers states you will need to put compost sock around work areas.

Mr. Steve Lynch, abutter, asks if the swale work will impact the stream under High Street.

Mr. Cheal states we are only taking out sediment that has built up over time.

Mr. Lynch states the water is flowing heavy right now.

Andrea Kendall of LEC states this is not a stream. It is a stormwater swale.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes to issue a Negative Determination with the conditions the work is done on a dry day, compost sock is installed and the Commission is notified when the work is to be done. Unanimous.**

**RDA - 20 Whitney Avenue - Bride** – Present is Steven Hanson representing Mr. and Mrs. Bride. Mr. Hansen states the owners are proposing a small bedroom addition above the existing garage. There will be no change of the footprint.

Ms. Catrone states there is a vernal pool on the abutting rear property 85 feet from the proposed work.

There is yard debris at the property line which should be removed.

Mr. Pare states there is a Burning Bush shrub on the side of the garage which should be removed.

Mr. and Mrs. Keskinidis and their daughter Paulina are present. Paulina Keskinidis states two of the windows of this addition are facing her bedroom.

Mr. Rogers explains the Commission can only address wetland issues. He suggests she speak with the building department.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Pare, to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability #3 with the condition the owners remove yard debris, install an orange fence and remove the Burning Bush. Ms. Catrone will mark the burning bush. Unanimous.**

**16 Delapa Cir – SWP-006 – Delapa** - Present is Joseph Piccirilli of GLM Engineering Consultants. Mr. Piccirilli states this is part of a larger subdivision. We are filing a Land Disturbance application. We have an infiltration system for roof runoff and erosion control shown on the plan.

Ms. Catrone states the detention basin between the lot and Dela Park Road is full of invasive plants.

Sally Spelial or 72 Dela Park Road states the basin is full of trash.

Mr. Rogers asks Ms. Catrone to check on the O and M plan for the subdivision.

Mr. Rogers states we need to see more information. He asks if an Earth Movement Permit is required. The driveway runoff must stay on site and we need to see the calculations for the Cultec System. The straw wattles should be removed and compost sock and orange construction fence installed.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Pare to continue the hearing to the June 14, 2017 meeting to allow the applicant to provide more information. Unanimous.**

**76 Sunrise - Mr. Bodio – DEP #338-0?** Present is Mr. Bodio who will be the construction supervisor for the project.

Mr. Bodio states we are proposing to raze the existing house and construct another single family home. We have submitted the site plan overlaying the existing conditions. The horse barn in the rear of the property will be removed. We have corrected flag #4 on the plan, shown replacement trees and changed the erosion control to compost sock and orange construction fence, as requested by Ms. Catrone. We will also be removing debris from the area behind the fence. The existing impervious is 1260 sq. ft. and the proposed impervious is 2800 sq. ft.

Mr. Rogers asks if fill will need to be brought in.

Mr. Bodio states the new foundation is one foot higher. We are planning on installing an interior perimeter drain.

Mr. Rogers states the existing and proposed impervious need to be shown.

Jim Keding, abutter, asks what the closest work will be to his house. Mr. Bodio states the work is 20 feet from the property line.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Sullivan to issue a standard Order of Conditions. Unanimous.**

**565 Gay Street - Garity glossa - ANRAD** – Present is John Glossa of Glossa Engineering. Mr. Glossa states we are not proposing work. This is only a wetland boundary confirmation. When the order is issued the applicant will have the wetland boundary confirmed. A wetland report has been submitted by Michele Grenier. There are no issues regarding Natural Heritage, vernal pools or floodplain. DEP Data forms have been submitted. There are 18 flags marking the wetland.

The Commission agrees no work, including tree removal, should be done until the wetland line is confirmed.

Mr. Rogers states this area is shown on the town maps as a wooded swamp.

Luke Legere of McGregor and McGregor is present representing Duncan and Ellen McFarlan.

Mr. Legere states Brendan McLannic of Beal and Thomas has submitted comments pertaining to the wetlands on the site.

Mr. McLannie states according to data forms the delineation was done on January 26, 2017. The ANRAD plan is not stamped by a surveyor and the delineation along the property line is incomplete. He states there could be a vernal pool on the site.

Mr. Legere states the applicant has requested the Commission issue an ORAD. This sets the wetland boundary for 3 years. We feel this application should be denied because the plan does not show all the resource areas. A winter delineation may not be accurate.

Mr. Rogers states it would be better if we could see the topos.

Mr. Glossa states we will have the delineator go back out and we will show the topos in the wetland area.

Mr. Rogers states if there is no objection we can get that underway.

Ms. Catrone states the barn is in bad shape. The Commission agrees if there is a request to remove the barn she can sign off.

**Motion made by Mr. Weston, seconded by Mr. Sullivan to continue to the June 28, 2017 meeting. Unanimous.**

**Land Disturbance Permit - 188 Mayfair Road – SWP – 007-Timothy Gagnon** - Greg Cygawnoski is present representing Mr. Gagnon who is requesting a Land Disturbance Permit. In 2010 there was a garage addition. The garage was constructed then the land was cleared. The front yard is very steep. We have installed compost sock at the site. A recharge area and retaining walls are proposed in the rear of the yard. We are proposing seed mix on the steep slopes. We are not planning to take out the stumps in rear yard. The house and driveway will stay as is. We will be installing jewt mats to protect the street during construction.

Mr. Rogers states the applicant should remove the Japanese knotweed on the site.

Mr. Rogers suggests the applicant check with the building department regarding the retaining walls. Please make the Commission aware of work schedule.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Sheer to issue a Land Disturbance Permit. Unanimous.**

**Notice of Intent - 35 Autumn Drive- 32 Autumn –Gobbi** - Present is John Glossa of Glossa Engineering representing Frank Gobbi. Mr. Glossa states 35 Autumn Drive has an open Order of Condition on it. There is a stone wall and FEMA flood plain on the site. The cul-da-sac was built in the flood plain. Proposed is a 64' x 52' basement floor at elevation 174. There is a basin on the side of the property that handles drainage for all of the houses on the street. There is an infiltration trench along the front yard. The rear yard sheets to detention basin. There is a cultex system on each corner of the house to collect for a one inch storm.

Mr. Rogers states you need to show the existing and proposed impervious on the plan.

Eric Dehan, abutter, states he would like assurance that the outfall is not blocked.

Mr. Glossa states there can be an ongoing condition in the Order.

Mr. Rogers points out this is a big house with a little back yard.

Mr. Rogers states we may want to put in boundary posts at 100 year floodplain.

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Sheer, to continue the hearings for 35 Autumn Drive and 32 Autumn Drive to the June 14, 2017 meeting to allow the applicant to show wetland boundary markers on the plan. Unanimous.**

**Notice of Intent - 4 Autumn lane – Gobbi** - Present is John Glossa of Glossa Engineering representing Frank Gobbi. Mr. Gobbi is requesting an Order of Conditions to build a single family home.

Mr. Ed Ray of 209 Winter Street is present and asks is if a bigger house is purposed for the mount that is existing on the site.

Mr. Glossa states the ground is raised 2.5 feet and the area has been cleared

**Motion made by Ms. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Sheer, to continue the hearing to the June 14, 2017 meeting to allow the applicant to show wetland boundary markers on the plan. Unanimous.**

**Motion made by Mr. Weston, seconded by Mr. Sullivan to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous.**