

**MINUTES OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
October 9, 2013**

Present: Steve DeGabriele, Chairman
Anthony Merlino, Commissioner
Scott Dowd, Commissioner Clerk
Tom Tanner, Commissioner

Absent: George Loring, Commissioner

Also Present: Mary Ellen Schloss, Administrator
Lee Hultin, Recording Secretary

Commissioner DeGabriele called the October 9, 2013 meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, Council Chambers, 75 Middle Street, Weymouth, Ma.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

Cmmr. Dowd made a motion to approve the minutes of August 14, 2013 as amended and was seconded by Cmmr. Tanner.

VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

46 Revere Road – Abbreviated Notice of Intent – Continued Hearing

Dave Burke, Home owner

Map 26, Block 349, Lot 3

DEP File #81-1129

Backyard retaining wall

Appearing before the Commission was Amy Burke, representing her husband. Ms. Burke stated that there will be equipment within the 25 foot buffer zone on the other side of the wall.

Mary Ellen stated that the contractor needs 10 feet on either side of the wall. There is one tree about 9.5 feet from the wall and they will protect the tree. The erosion controls will be in front of those trees. This wasn't staked out.

Mary Ellen said there are three drains coming from the house and she would like them tied into the wall. There is an Elm tree growing next to the tree to be removed at the pond edge. They will try to save it but can't guarantee.

Cmmr. Dowd asked if the equipment access track that will be reseeded will be lawn area and it was stated yes. Before it was just knotweed and they don't want it to grow back.

The public was given the opportunity to speak and there were no comments.

Cmmr. Tanner asked if the rock that was being removed will be replaced with the same thing. It was stated yes, the very bottom will be a filter fabric then a 12 inch layer of crushed stone and then larger armor stone will be on the top. This will help them be prepared for the 100 year storm.

Cmmr. Merlino asked how long it will be and it was stated 180 linear feet.

Cmmr. DeGabriele asked what would happen if we didn't do anything. It was stated there is already exposed soil and it is unstable. It was inadequately designed from the beginning. The vegetation will be disturbed but will grow back.

Mary Ellen Schloss stated that there is a coastal dune below the revetment with vegetation. She is very concerned about the impact on the dune. The NOI did not call out any impact to the coastal dunes or the beach.

The applicant's representative stated that they anticipated that construction will be staged from the beach and they will bring equipment and materials down on a daily basis and be restocked daily in the parking lot. Nothing will be left on the beach.

After discussion it was decided that the applicant will be doing the work from the upland side.

Mary Ellen Schloss stated that technically the project is not exempt from DEP Stormwater standards and this would need to be written into the Order. There cannot be any stockpiling on the beach and the applicant stated they will be using the parking lot for staging. If there are erodible items in the parking lot then erosion controls will need to be used.

They should only have an amount of the revetment exposed that they can reasonably cover if a storm comes. Also, there needs to be monitoring of the work to ensure there is no breach of the hazardous materials containment system. These both will be written into the order of conditions.

The Activity and Use Limitation requires that the Health and Safety plan be implemented anytime there is a potential for contaminated soil to be compromised. The contractor and the LSP should be working together.

Cmmr. Tanner made a motion to close the public hearing on 300 River Street at 8:09 pm and was seconded by Cmmr. Dowd.
VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

Lot 2 Autumn Lane – Revised Slope Restoration Proposal - Discussion

Mary Ellen Schloss stated that she reviewed this plan and she is ok with it. The idea is to build the house and then next spring to do the restoration of the slope.

Mass DOT

- Site Visit Monday 10/21 at 9:00 am in Southfield for the Route 18 widening project.
- Meeting Thursday October 24 at 6:30 in the Town Council Chambers
- Will get ANRAD and NOI plans tomorrow and they can be picked up as they will need to be reviewed

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150 Idlewell Blvd:

- After-the-fact filing. There is a pool on the property and they have drain pipes from the house in a ditch that follow the town's pipes out through the wall to the beach. She is doing some repairs and Mary Ellen visited the site and she wants to continue this as she needs to pour concrete.
- It was suggested to find out if the pipes were repaired and if so, then just back fill it until she comes before the commission on October 23rd.

See Conservation Administrator's Report of October 9, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

Cmmr. Tanner made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 pm and was seconded by Cmmr. Dowd.
VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted by,

Lee Hultin
Recording Secretary

Approved by:



Scott Dowd, Conservation Clerk

01/08/2014

Date