WEYMOUTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION RECORD OF MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, May 28, 2019, 7:00pm John F. McCulloch Building, McElroy Room 182 Green Street, Weymouth, MA

Present: Tom Tanner, Chairman

Scott Dowd, Commissioner and Clerk

John Reilly, Vice Chairman Frank Singleton, Commissioner George Loring, Commissioner

Also Present: Mary Ellen Schloss, Conservation Administrator

Chairman Tanner called the Commission meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for March 26 and April 23, 2019 were reviewed.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Reilly, seconded by Cmmr. Singleton, the Commission voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from March 26 and April 23, 2019, as written.

31 Inman Road – Request for Partial Certificate of Compliance (PCOC) Charles W. Clark, Esq.
Map 40, Block 485, Lot 46
DEP File #81-111
Single-family lot in subdivision

Ms. Schloss said this property is located within a large subdivision on which there was no Final Certificate of Compliance. Ms. Schloss said this address is outside the buffer and recommended the issuance of the PCOC as it is just a formality.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Reilly, seconded by Cmmr. Singleton, the Commission voted 5-0 to issue the Partial Certificate of Compliance.

223 Randolph St. – Notice of Intent, Public Hearing Shannon and Jaycee Corrigan Map 48, Block 546, Lot 33 DEP File #81-1244 One-story garage

On a motion made by Cmmr. Loring, seconded by Cmmr. Reilly, the Commission voted 5-0 to open the public hearing.

Appearing before the Commission was owner, Shannon Corrigan. She told the board that they propose to build a 1-story, 24x36 garage, and to remove the existing garage in the rear of the property (which is 27 ft. from the wetland). The garage will be built on (18) Sonatubes, have a metal roof, and the sides and back of the garage will match the house.

Ms. Schloss distributed pictures of the dying trees in the yard. She explained there is an intermittent wetland stream close to 211 Randolph St. that has flooding issues (lots of water in their basement) so she would like to see this project not add any more water into that stream.

Public Comments

Terry Peters, 21 Derek Drive, said the location of the garage is in dispute. He is also concerned about tree removal on his property.

Ms. Corrigan said the garage being demolished is not on Mr. Peter's property line.

Chairman Tanner said this issue might be best served by having a survey done of the property.

Cmmr. Dowd asked if more trees were coming down; Mrs. Corrigan said yes, dead ones.

Ms. Schloss said she would confirm that the trees scheduled to come down are dead.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Singleton, seconded by Cmmr. Reilly, the Commission voted 5-0 to issue the Order of Conditions with conditions mentioned.

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969 Washington St. – Request for Determination of Applicability, Public Hearing Dermot Doran c/o Hatter 18 LLC Map 30, Block 400, Lot 39 Construct outdoor dining area at Mad Hatter restaurant

Appearing before the Commission were Michele and Dermot Doran.

Mr. Doran said he wants to build a patio on the left side of the building with access through the building.

Ms. Schloss said this is a sensitive area; Mr. Doran said he would speak to DPW about trash to be removed.

Ms. Schloss encouraged Mr. Doran to work with a professional regarding native plantings, and asked about the catch basin adjacent to the proposed retaining wall and patio.

Mr. Polsinello explained that the catch basins are actually interconnected sand filters to prevent water from going into the pond.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Loring, seconded by Cmmr. Singleton, the Commission voted 5-0 to issue a Negative 3 Determination

50 Tamburlane Ridge-Violation Hearing, continued Paul Padula Map 48, Block 544, Lot 23 DEP File # 81-686 and # 81-813 Unauthorized fill in wetlands

On a motion made by Cmmr. Loring, seconded by Cmmr. Reilly, the Commission voted 5-0 to open the public hearing.

Mr. Padula appeared for the hearing.

Ms. Schloss stated that there is restoration needed as there was a lot of fill placed in and adjacent to wetlands. He has removed a substantial amount of the fill, but additional fill needs to be removed. She told Mr. Padula the area needs to be dry before more work can be done.

Planting and Soil Amendments:

Ms. Schloss said some, or all, of the filled area was a wetland replication area constructed to mitigate for wetland fill on DEP File #81-686. She could not say if all the plants were present. Ms. Schloss recommended:

- 42 shrubs, instead of the 75+ planted in the wetland replication area.
- Perhaps 2 trees
- Wetland seed mix
- Confirm depth of soil and bring in soil as needed for plantings

Ms. Schloss said she would work with Mr. Padula to work out what should be planted, adding that all plants need to be planted by fall.

Mr. Padula agreed to this and said the decision was fair.

Chairman Tanner said the follow-up date should be determined after Ms. Schloss and Mr. Padula agree on the plantings.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Singleton, seconded by Cmmr. Loring, the Commission voted 5-0 to close the hearing.

475 Columbian Street – Violation Hearing, continued Richard Campot
Map 40, Block 482, Lot 16
Unauthorized fill in wetlands

Appearing before the commission were owner Richard Campot and Joseph Polsinello, Licensed Site Professional.

Mr. Polsinello said there was a site visit on May 1st. Four test pits were dug; found was mostly decomposed vegetation.

Mr. Polsinello said Matt Brennan, Board of Health, wanted two additional pits dug. No debris or odors were detected.

Looking north at elevation 144, the area has settled out and fresh fill was found.

Ms. Schloss said the Notice of Intent will need to include "Remove all fill until get to solid soils".

Ms. Schloss said a 3:1 slope is the steepest grade she would want to see.

Mr. Campot said there were only supposed to be three pits dug but they ended up digging six pits. He said he has no more money. He also said he asked the pit man his thoughts and he said it looked like landscape material.

Chairman Tanner asked Mr. Campot what he is willing to do at this time; Mr. Campot agreed to return to the next meeting and Mr. Polsinello said he would provide the soil report.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Reilly, seconded by Cmmr. Singleton, the Commission voted 5-0 to continue the hearing to June 25th.

Other Business

Ms. Schloss reported on:

- Calpine Fore River Power: they would like to do sea wall repair, south of the bridge along the river. Ms. Schloss asked the Commission if a formal filing is necessary. Chairman Tanner said it would be best to address this as maintenance and suggested any concerns should be expressed in writing.
- 220 White St., Full Certificate of Compliance Ms. Schloss said all work is done except for erosion control removal. On a motion made by Cmmr. Singleton, seconded by Cmmr. Reilly, the Commission voted 5-0 to issue a Full Certificate of Compliance.

• 1500 Main Street has submitted a request for minor modifications. Proposed changes include shortening the fire access and deleting the garage entrance to the south from Building B.

Ms. Schloss said the changes are acceptable.

On a motion made by Cmmr. Singleton, seconded by Cmmr. Reilly, the Commission voted 5-0 to accept the minor modifications.

CPC Update

There was no CPC meeting. Cmmr. Loring told the Board that 400,000 herring have arrived in Whitman's Pond and that some of the fish went up the flood control system. Cmmr. Loring said there is work scheduled on the flood control system for this summer.

Conservation Report

- Compressor Station meeting is scheduled for May 31st.
- Fore River sea wall is under construction. They have been asked to install and then to extend the turbidity curtain.
- Upcoming town projects include: Great Pond Dam, Phase II Smelt Brook Daylighting, Jackson Square Herring Passage Smelt Habitat Project, Commercial Street Bridge. (George Loring asked if the Middle Pool could be dredged this winter.)
- Arbor Hill: spring monitoring is being conducted at the Wetland C vernal pool. The western drainage system discharges to Wetland C and discharge should not occur until the drainage system is sufficiently stabilized.
- Rte. 18 construction: parking lot being constructed at the Bradford Torrey entrance.
- Harbor Master, Paul Milone, is looking into unauthorized docks and piers and working on an ordinance regarding the off-season storage of floats.
- Wessagussett Walk, Coastal Bank Vegetation Management: submittal will be received.
- Rte. 3A Bridge: punch list being done now.
- South Shore Climate Symposium: Ms. Schloss and Cmmr. Singleton attended.

Adjournment:

On a motion made by Cmmr. Loring, seconded by Cmmr. Dowd, the Commission voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:30pm.

Scott Dowd, Clerk

Date