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Conservation Commission

**September 5, 2019
Meeting Minutes**

Chairman Bill Batchelor called the above-captioned meeting to order this date at 7:00 PM. Members in attendance: Jeffrey Milne, Paul Harrington, Jeff Livingstone, Alan Wallach, Braden Rosenberg. Members absent: Staci Dooney. Also present: Jen Delmore, Conservation Agent.

Commencement

Chairman Batchelor announced the meeting would be audio and video recorded.

Note: Documents presented to the Conservation Commission are on file.

Public Hearing – Continued - ANRAD – Prospect Farms

Chairman Batchelor stated this public hearing will be continued to September 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Public Hearing – Continued - NOI – 1256 West Central Street

Mr. Rick Goodreau of United Consultants, Inc. stated this is the second hearing with the Commission. They have had two hearings with the Planning Board, received peer review comments, revised the plans to address said comments, and received additional peer review comments yesterday. He stated the applicant was asked to provide a list of changes to the project. He reviewed the list and identified the areas of revision and change to the plans including, but not limited to, drainage, vegetation management, addition of a stormwater checklist to the report, and additional parking with the fire lane widened. He stated BETA requested a few items regarding traffic be addressed and a few minor typographical errors be corrected on the plans.

Ms. Delmore stated Mr. Goodreau gave a good summary of the revisions reflected in the new plans provided to the Commission members. She stated Matthew Crowley of BETA Group said everything looks good and there are no new impacts to the wetlands based on the revisions. She recommended approval.

There was a motion made by Jeffrey Milne to close the public hearing for the NOI for 1256 West Central Street. The motion was seconded by Braden Rosenberg and accepted with a vote of 6-0-0.

There was a motion made by Jeffrey Milne to approve the NOI for 1256 West Central Street with special conditions #20, 21, 23, 24, 27-30, 34, 41, 44 and 51. The motion was seconded by Alan Wallach and accepted with a vote of 6-0-0.

Public Hearing – Continued - NOI – Margaret's Cove

Ms. Amanda Cavaliere of Guerriere & Halnon, Inc. and Mr. Richard Whittington of Whitman Homes addressed the Commission.

Chairman Batchelor stated this public hearing will be continued due to some outstanding issues.

Ms. Delmore noted the outstanding issues listed in WSI's memo dated September 5, 2019.

Ms. Cavaliere stated they are here for the Subdivision Modification which had an old Order of Conditions that expired. They submitted the NOI for a new file number showing the proposed work which does not significantly differ from the original approved subdivision. They have some minor work within the buffer zones. She stated that Wetland Strategies initially reviewed this and their comments regarded the filing fee, Items 2, 3, 4 and 5 which were associated with relocating flags, and Item 6 which noted wetland Area C was not shown on the plans. Since WSI's letter of August 16, 2019, the flags have been updated, the fees clarified, and wetland Area C shown on the plan. She stated WSI provided feedback in another letter dated September 5, 2019, noting the majority of the items had been addressed; she reviewed the outstanding items. She stated that tonight they are seeking a letter or communication from the Commission be provided to the Planning Board that the remaining items outstanding on the wetland side of things are something the Planning Board can move forward with. She noted the Planning Board cannot move forward until they get the okay from the Conservation Commission. She stated the outstanding items from WSI are really clerical items for the plan set which can be made before the final plan set is endorsed by the Planning Board.

Chairman Batchelor stated the Commission will not make a recommendation to the Planning Board, the Agent will.

Commission members discussed the history between the Planning Board and Conservation Commission.

Ms. Cavaliere noted that as the engineer, she is just trying to keep the project moving forward.

Ms. Delmore asked the applicant to submit the updated/final plans before next Thursday so the plans can be put in the Commission members' packets for the next Commission meeting; she would not see a problem with it being on voted at the next meeting. She said she could relay this information to Amy Love, Town Planner, and Bryan Taberner, Director of Planning & Community Development.

Chairman Batchelor elaborated on when the Commission takes testimony and votes.

Mr. Whittington confirmed the Commission is comfortable with the plan other than the clerical changes that have to be made.

Ms. Cavaliere confirmed the plan changes would need to be to the Conservation Office by September 12, 2019 at 12:00 PM.

There was a motion made by Alan Wallach to continue the public hearing for the NOI for Margaret's Cove to September 19, 2019 at 7:10 PM. The motion was seconded by Paul Harrington and accepted with a vote of 6-0-0.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Minor Buffer Zone Activities: None.

Permit Modifications/Extensions: None.

Certificate of Compliance: None.

Violations: None.

Minutes: August 8, 2019 and August 22, 2019

There was a motion made by Braden Rosenberg to accept the meeting minutes for August 8, 2019. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Milne and accepted with a vote of 5-0-1. (Mr. Harrington abstained.)

There was a motion made by Braden Rosenberg to accept the meeting minutes for August 22, 2019. The motion was seconded by Paul Harrington and accepted with a vote of 6-0-0.

Discussion – RDA - 186 Maple Street (Bellingham) - Vote

Chairman Batchelor noted that at the last Commission meeting the public hearing for this item was closed, but a vote was not taken to accept.

There was a motion made by Jeff Livingstone to approve a Negative Determination 4 and 6 for the RDA for 186 Maple Street (Bellingham). The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Milne and accepted with a vote of 6-0-0.

Chair and Commission Member Comments:

Chairman Batchelor discussed MACC's Fall Conference. He noted the fee for each member would be paid. He asked the members to let Ms. Delmore know if they would like to attend.

Commission members discussed the conference.

Ms. Delmore asked the members to let her know if they plan to attend the conference.

Executive Session: None.

There was a motion made by Jeff Livingstone to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Milne and accepted with a vote of 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Lizardi
Recording Secretary