

Conservation Commission

One Liberty Lane
Norfolk, MA 02056

Meeting of April 8, 2015

7:00PM

Commission Members	Others
John Weddleton –Chair ----- --present	Janet DeLonga ---Agent -----present
Joyce Terrio -----V. Chair ----- present	Marie Simpson –Ad. Asst.-----present
Patrick Touhey ----Member ----- present	
Dan Crafton -----Member ----- present	
Michelle Lauria --- Member ---- absent	
Jim Gursha --- Member ----- present	

The duly posted meeting of the Norfolk Conservation Commission convened at 7:00 p.m. in room 124 at the Norfolk Town Hall.

Mr. Weddleton announced that the meeting was being audiotaped. Said announcement being pursuant to G.L. c.30A, §§18-25, the Open Meeting law.

NEW BUSINESS:

Conservation Restriction - Gray property – Marshall Street. Charlie Wyman, Senior Land Protection Specialist from Mass Audubon, was present. Mr. Wyman requested the Commission’s approval of the CR and signatures on the document to permanently restrict development on a 4.28 acre parcel of land located off Marshall Street. A copy of the final restriction document had been forwarded to the Commission for review prior to the meeting. Mr. Crafton questioned when parking areas would be provided on the property. Mr. Wyman noted that the Town is currently looking at funding to create some parking areas to make the property more accessible.

Mrs. Terrio made the motion to accept the CR for the Gray property as presented. Mr. Touhey seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was 4-0-1. Mr. Gursha abstained. The CR was signed.

Wetland Consultant Proposals:

Wetland Strategies, Inc. submitted written proposals for peer review of **47 Seekonk Street** and **47 Leland Road**. The Commission accepted both proposals, which will be forwarded to the respective applicants.

Fox Run Subdivision Drainage – Mr. Weddleton reported that there is a revised drainage plan. A long perforated pipe will be directed into the Town’s open space area. The Town needs a quid pro quo from the developer for the use of this land. Formal permission to utilize Town open space needs to be obtained from the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission however. Mrs. Terrio questioned if the commission would have an answer about the permission prior to a vote to accept the drainage proposal. Mr. Weddleton noted that compensation is required before the vote. Pulte will have to present a full package and plan to the commission. The Board of Selectmen is checking with Town Counsel on this matter.

MINUTES:

The commission reviewed the **Minutes of March 11, 2015**. *Mrs. Terrio made the motion to accept the minutes as drafted. Mr. Touhey seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was 4-0-1. Mr. Gursha abstained.*

Permit Extension Act Confirmation – Ms. DeLonga noted that the developer of **Keeney Pond Estates** requested confirmation that several lots under an existing Order of Conditions were still valid pursuant to the Permit Extension Act. A draft letter of confirmation was reviewed. Mrs. Terrio, the Vice-chairman signed the memo indicating that the permits are still valid to 2016. Mr. Weddleton abstained from this discussion.

Department of Corrections Pre-submission – Ms. DeLonga reported that the Department of Corrections will be meeting with the Commission on April 22nd for a pre-submission discussion pertaining to additional monitoring wells on D.O.C. property.

Gold Street Development – Ms. DeLonga reported that Bruce Stivaletta is interested in developing several acres of land off Myrtle and Gold Street. The wetlands need to be reflagged. This is also a Natural Heritage area. No letter has been received from Natural Heritage yet.

Community Preservation Committee Update – Mr. Crafton reported that the CPC is currently awaiting appraisals on a large parcel of land around Comey's Pond. The access to the site would involve a new box culvert and filling of wetlands. The site has potential for ballfields.

20 Valley Street Notice of Intent filing – Ms. DeLonga reported that a Notice of Intent was recently filed for 20 Valley Street. The public hearing will be scheduled for April 22nd.

Percolation Testing in Buffer Zone – Ms. DeLonga reported that the developer of Rocco Plaza on Pine Street recently conducted perk testing at the rear of **Rocco Plaza** within the 50-100 foot buffer zone off Valley Street. An abutter called the office with concerns. Ms. DeLonga will contact the Board of Health agent regarding the lack of notification to the Commission.

VOUCHERS:

The Commission signed a voucher to close out the escrow review account for the **Winding Hollow ANRAD** off Holbrook Street.

PUBLIC HEARING:

7:30 PM -- **47 Leland Road – NCC/DEP #240-562** – Brian Foley. Jim Susi from United Consultants was present. The applicant was not present. The project is the construction of a new Title V septic system for an existing dwelling. The dwelling is currently serviced by a dry well and a cess pool. Both will be pumped out, filled with septic sand and abandoned according to Title V. A new tank and pump chamber is proposed. A timber retaining wall will be located around the septic field. There will be 127 square feet of disturbance within the 0-50 foot buffer and 2,369 square feet of disturbance within the 50-100 foot buffer. The area is currently lawn area. The Commission discussed that they did not want mitigation disturbance within the 0-50 foot buffer.

Mrs. Terrio made the motion to close the hearing for the septic repair. Mr. Touhey seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was 4-0-1. Mr. Gursha abstained. The hearing closed at 7:35 PM.

7:40 PM – **47 Leland Road – NCC/DEP #240-568** - Restoration project. Present was Jim Susi from United Consultants. Mr. Foley, the applicant, was not present. Mr. Susi noted that he received the wetland review proposal from Wetland Strategies, Inc. but he does not have the payment. He will contact Mr. Foley.

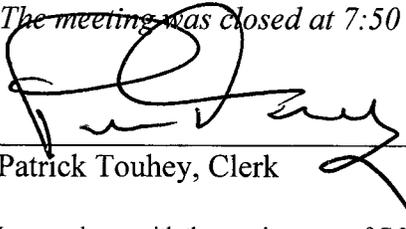
The restoration work will consist of the removal of all the stone walls and fill from within the limits of Kingsbury Pond to the existing block wall. All disturbed areas up to the wall will be restored. A cross section of the restoration area was provided on the plan. Junipers will be planted to stabilize the 3:1 slope behind the wall. The junipers are a native plant and require well drained soils. A seed slope mix will also cover the slope.

Mr. Weddleton requested that Mr. Susi put the restoration proposal in narrative form and submit to the commission.

Mrs. Terrio made the motion to continue the hearing to April 22nd at 8:30 PM. Mr. Crafton seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was 4-0-1. Mr. Gursha abstained. The hearing adjourned at 7:45 PM.

*Mrs. Terrio made the motion to continue the public hearing for the **Warren Avenue drainage project** to April 22nd at 8:45 PM. Mr. Touhey seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was 4-0-1. Mr. Gursha abstained.*

The meeting was closed at 7:50 PM.



Patrick Touhey, Clerk

In accordance with the requirements of G.L. 30A § 22 approval of these minutes by the Board constitutes its certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, the matters discussed, and the action taken by the Board with regard to those matters (if any). Any other information contained in these minutes is included for context only. Notes memorializing deliberation or discussion of any matter are in the summary form and may include inaccuracies or omissions. Where proof of the content of a statement is required, a tape recording or transcript should be consulted, if available.