

Conservation Commission
 One Liberty Lane
 Norfolk, MA 02056
 July 12, 2017
 7:00 P.M.

| Commission Members | Other |
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| John Weddleton – Chair ----- Present | Janet DeLonga – Agent ----- Present |
| Michelle Lauria – Vice Chair ----- Present | Amy Brady – Administrative Assistant ---- Absent |
| Patrick Touhey – Clerk----- Present | |
| Thomas Norton – Member ----- Present | |
| David Turi – Member ----- Present | |
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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 video- and audiotaped.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

31 Mirror Lake Drive, Request Amendment to OOC – Present was Larry Foran

Mr. Weddleton recognized Mr. Foran, and noted that the original Order of Conditions accounted for the demolition and rebuilding of a screen porch, which was subsequently changed to tearing down the whole house. Discussion ensued regarding work which has been done on the property. Using fieldstone on the beach as erosion control was addressed, and Ms. DeLonga asked that a picture similar to what is planned be entered into the record. The amendment will be for the rocks on the beach, the full demolition of the home, and the changing of the wall. Ms. DeLonga will have the amendment ready for signature next meeting.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to close the hearing; Ms. Lauria seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

2 Clark Street, NOI #240-590 - Present were Kyle Apigian, Woodward & Curran; Giovanni Casseris, project manager

Plans presented were entitled “Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Corrections, Plan of Resource Management, DRM No.2015-20, Pump House #2, Demolition Project, MCI Norfolk,” dated June, 2017; prepared by Woodard & Curran.

Mr. Apigian gave an overview of the project taking place at the MCI facility on Clark Street, involving a drinking water pump station which has been out of service for several years. The pump station is located in the rear of the property, closer to Pond Street, and has several appurtenances around it. It is located within the wetlands. The foundation will cut below grade, slab removed, and backfilled to grade; associated wells will be pulled and decommissioned. Mr. Apigian stated that the areas of disturbance figures are stated within the submittal. The goal is to do the work in the early fall. As no DEP number has yet been assigned, the hearing cannot be closed.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to continue the public hearing to August 9, 2017, at 7:00 P.M.; Mr. Turi seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

Highland Lake Drive & Campbell Street – RDA - Present was Chris Sanderson, Merrill Engineers and land surveyors.

Plans presented were entitled "Wetland Delineation Overlay Plan, New Gas Main Install, Campbell Street/NFK Highland Lake Drive, Norfolk MA," dated May, 2017, source: MASSGIS

Mr. Weddleton recognized Mr. Sanderson who gave an overview of the project proposed for Columbia Gas of Massachusetts's proposed gas main on Campbell Street and Highland Lake Drive. Mr. Sanderson stated that resource areas had been delineated, and parts of the project fell within buffer zones to resource areas. The project will be completed via the "open trench" method, 80'-300' per day which will be filled the same day, nothing will be left open. Erosion controls will be installed downgradient of the work. In response to a question from Mr. Weddleton, Ms. DeLonga stated that she had seen the site, requested a few modifications of erosion control, which were complied with. Ms. DeLonga also stated that as the owner of the property listed is "Town of Norfolk," she contacted the Town Administrator and DPW and made them aware of the project. The project is tying into the Lincoln Street line. Mr. Weddleton asked if the DPW had been notified, and Mr. Sanderson responded that the Columbia Gas would do that directly.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to close the hearing; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to issue a Negative #3 Determination; Mr. Turi seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

24 Lake Shore Drive – NOI #240-588 - Present was John Glossa, Engineer; and clients purchasing the property, Tom and Dorothy Murch

Plans presented were entitled "#24 Lakeshore Drive, On-Site Sewage Treatment and Disposal, Plan of Land in Norfolk MA," dated 6/16/17, Rev. 7/13/17, prepared by Glossa Engineering, Inc.

Mr. Glossa gave an overview of the project, which is on Populatic Pond, which is the Charles River, but it's a "great pond," and therefore not subject to the Rivers Act; in addition, the filing is for a septic system, which is exempt from the Rivers Act. The property is on town water, so there is not well; current sewage disposal for this property is via cesspool. Mr. Glossa stated that virtually all of the property is below the 100-year flood line. The property next door had revised their septic system in 2012, and was used as a model. A septic tank was installed 100' from the bank of the pond, with a nearby pump chamber. Soil testing revealed 2-minute-per-inch sand. Mr. Glossa discussed with Wade Saucier, Norfolk's Board of Health Agent, that due to being in the 100-year flood plain, a traditional mounded system could not be used, and instead a Presby system would be used. Mr. Glossa proceeded to detail how the Presby system works. Mr. Weddleton noted that with this design, the elevation has been kept below the existing grade. Watertight seals will be used to prevent any possibility of effluent being drawn out in the event of a flood. In response to a question from Ms. DeLonga, Mr. Glossa stated that, at the request of Mr. Saucier, a heavy-duty tank with a 6" concrete top will be used due to its proximity to the driveway, which will result in a revised plan with a July 13, 2017, date. Ms. DeLonga noted that the signature of the owner of the property was needed on the application. In response to Ms. DeLonga, Mr. Glossa stated that two trees will be removed in the front of the property. Ms. DeLonga requested that the Commission is notified before any other trees are taken out, and that some erosion controls be moved. A revised plan showing the heavy-duty tank, adjusted erosion controls, and notes regarding tree removal will be provided, as will a signature from the owner.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to close the hearing; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to issue an Order of Conditions ; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Barbara Bartholomew was present to discuss her request regarding a permanent dock at Highland Lake. Ms. Bartholomew stated that all trail have been cleaned out, as requested by Conservation, and covered with wood chips. Benches have been installed, and trails have been named. The Historical Commission would like to install a wooden boardwalk, 10-12 feet in length, along the edge of the lake. Mr. Weddleton discussed how Stony Brook had just replaced the pilings for their boardwalk with a different material, and suggested Ms. Bartholomew discuss the project with them. The Conservation Commission will be watching for an NOI filing for this project.

MINUTES:

Mr. Touhey made a motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2017, as written; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was 3-0 with Ms. Lauria and Mr. Turi abstaining.

Mr. Turi made a motion to approve the minutes of June 14, 2017, as written; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was 4-0 with Mr. Weddleton abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS:

25 Myrtle Street – Discussion regarding possible amendment to OOC – Chris Cali was present to discuss a possible amendment to the existing OOC, to approve the fence put up by the applicant who was not aware at the time of the OOC issued to the builder. Mr. Weddleton stated that he was not present at the June 14 meeting when this case was heard, but he did subsequently watch the video recording. Mr. Weddleton stated that in reviewing the case, he recalled that in the original NOI filing, a laundry pipe had been found to be discharging into the wetland, making it a previously disturbed area; secondly, the stonewall on this property also acts as disturbance. Regarding the fence subsequently built, Mr. Weddleton stated that there are cases when someone who is not a professional in the field is held harmless when the work doesn't respect the resource area, i.e. construction of the fence, or when removal of the fence would cause more disturbance. Mr. Weddleton further stated that had the fence been requested and approved in the original NOI, the Commission would likely have required the area be loamed and seeded as mitigation to cover the disturbed area from the washing machine discharge.

Mr. Weddleton noted 2 items for the Commission to consider. First, if it is a minor change, a filing is not required; if it's a major change, a filing must be made for an amended order of conditions. In response to a question from Ms. Lauria, Mr. Weddleton reviewed the different standards for a professional builder and a homeowner who unwittingly, in the opinion of the Commission, disturbs a resource area. In the latter situation, the Commission must decide if the disturbance affected the resource area, and if so, is it more of a disturbance to the area to take it out.

Mr. Norton made a motion to consider this change to the existing OOC to be a minor change; Mr. Turi seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

ACTION ITEMS/ORDERS/EXTENSIONS:

- **19 Union Street – Request for COC** - Ms. DeLonga stated that she had inspected the property and was satisfied.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for 19 Union Street; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

- **98 North Street – Request for COC** - Ms. DeLonga stated that she had inspected the property and was satisfied.

Mr. Turi made a motion to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for 98 North Street; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Conservation Commission Reorganization for FY'18**

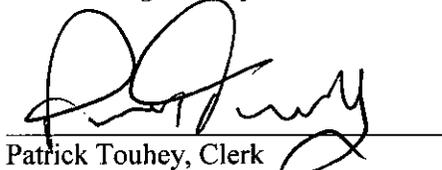
Mr. Touhey made a motion to keep the current structure of the Commission; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

New Appointment to CPC

Ms. Lauria made a motion to appoint David Turi as liaison to the Community Preservation Committee; Mr. Norton seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

Mr. Touhey made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Turi seconded the motion; the vote on the motion was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.



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.