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**BOARD:** Conservation Commission  
**TOPIC:** Monthly Meeting  
**MEETING DATE:** May 13, 2020  
**MEETING PLACE:** Zoom Meeting  
**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Dempsey, F. O'Connor, S. Bartelt, W. Formosi, J. Gebauer, T. Schaefer  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** T. Grim  
**CONSERVATION AGENT:** R. Decie  
**GUESTS:** None

Mike Dempsey motioned to open the meeting at 7:06PM. Gebauer seconded the motion. Vote: 6-0.

**7 Star Rd. Land Purchase**

There is a NOI to the town stating 61A was being dissolved and the town has 1<sup>st</sup> right of refusal on it.

**Groveland Realty Trust**

Sewall St. The applicant has disregarded the ANRAD so he went to DEP to supersede. This is now in court.

**MASS DOT**

Groveland Community Trail FNF/MEPA filing. It is preceding through the State and we should see the Notice of Intent in June.

**38 Benjamin St.**

Revised Grading Plan was submitted. The Planning Board issued a Cease and Desist until a new plan is devised.

Update: The contractor built up side of road to 2.5 ft. higher and closer to the slope. A 3ft. retaining wall was put in. The road was extended over. The road will be lowered.

TEC is the consultant for the Planning Board.

The applicant will have a meeting with the Planning Board to have the plan approved scheduled May 19 at 7:00p.m. No further work is being done at this point.

No comments were made by commissioners. Conservation Commission will issue a letter to Planning Board that concur and we don't have any comments.

**7 Star Road-** information only

Sewall St. quarry fill- Comments need to be sent to the Selectmen and DEP. Dempsey said 30 questions were sent. Mr. Daly received the questions and he said DEP should answer the questions.

Mr. Fitzgerald of DEP spoke to Selectwomen Kastrinelis and said that no fill will be allowed 200 ft. from the stream.

Questions:

Why is it necessary to put 200,000 cu yards of fill at this site?

After being approved of 200,000 cu yards, 250,000 cu yards got approved.

Where will fill be placed and how close to the wetlands will it be placed?

The fill can't be 100-200 ft. from the wetlands (stream)

For now it will be 200ft. from wetlands and stream according to DEP.

What will happen if applicant couldn't bring in any more fill? (The project wouldn't go on?)

Why can't we receive clean fill? According to DEP, soil could be slightly impacted.

Applicant is being paid to bring in fill.

Monitoring wells have been placed around perimeter of site. (They are tested annually through duration of project.)

Bartelt stated she was concerned that pesticides would be in the fill. Daly said he would have it tested in 5 years.

Dempsey motioned to open the hearing portion of meeting at 7:33p.m. Bartelt seconds. Voted: 5-0.

### **203 Center St.**

Bartelt commented stating she thought it was a beautiful piece of property.

Nothing unusual was seen at the site. Schaefer said things are stable besides bringing in the driveway down.

Decie said she was there when contractor was delineating the area where the house and the septic system were going. Decie was not opposed of the plan.

Greg Hochmuth- representing the owner on 203 Center St. Project.

A construction plan was put into place including erosion controls.

Heather Meninger- abuttur Center St. asked if the bridge is being altered. The bridge is in but not finished.

Hochmuth said the detail was inadequate. A lip needs to added (1ft. on either side) for utilities crossing the bridge and the guardrails weren't on it.

Curtis Parker-201 Center St.

The replication area looked higher.

Hochmuth said the plan is a 4 to 1 ratio of the hill so the elevation will be lowered and a chunk will be taken out. Monuments will be placed every 50ft and 100ft. from the wetland stream.

Dempsey motioned to close the hearing and motion on the Order of Conditions for 203 Center St. Bartelt seconds. Voted: 6-0.

### **24 Main St. - NOI GNOI**

Portion of resources area is in West Newbury. Updated plans have been submitted and approved by West Newbury Planning Board and will be brought to Groveland Planning Board.

The final order of condition will be finalized tonight or tomorrow all the info and will be sent to Com Con and the Planning Board.

Dempsey motions to continue 24 Main St. Formosi seconds. Voted: 6-0.

**King St. Substation-RDA**

Alexandra of BSCM representing National Grid is looking at extending driveway. The entire substation is all gravel. They would like to install sediment controls before they install driveway. A new fence was added around the sub-station. 925 sq.ft. will be paved.

Commissioners would like to issue a letter permit.

Dempsey motions to close the hearing at 8:05pm and issue a letter permit stating a limited determination of applicability. Schaefer seconds. Voted: 5-0.

**106 King St.** continued from 3/11 RDA, GRDA

Schaefer and Grim recused themselves as they are abutters to the property.

Bill Holt is the engineer of the 18 acre lot. There are 8 lots proposed which was originally 9 lots.

There was 100 year flood plain. According to FEMA, this isn't in the 100 flood plain that is being developed in this area. The runoff will be mitigated. National Heritage stated there is no identifiable areas in this development.

Zone 3- There is 800,000 sq.ft. of area. They are under the allowable impervious area which is 57,764. They are required to apply for storm water management. They would like to establish a boundary with one of our consultants. The applicant has requested an estimate for the consultant.

Questions regarding new documents:

The applicant would like to move forward with the RDA and have your consultant review it. If changes need to be made we can review them and move forward with it.

Peer Review with RDA

Dempsey has an estimate from Marc Jacobs regarding the estimate of work for delineation \$2850.00.

It is approximately 130.00/hr.

We would need a check for \$2850.00 dropped off at the Town Clerk's office. Our goal is to have this done by June 10. Cunniff would like to have the consultants meet together.

Site visit will be on May 23 at 9:00 a.m. at 106 King St. Dempsey motioned to continue to June 10.

Bartelt seconds. Voted: 4-0-2. Schaefer and Grim abstain.

Dempsey motions to close the hearing portion of the meeting at 8:51 p.m. O'Connor seconds. Voted: 4-0-2. Schaefer and Grim abstain. Only Schaefer rejoined the meeting.

**Conservation Agent Update**

Decie said not action has been taken on Groveland Realty Trust: just information only.

Groveland Community Trail- information only

43 Center St. - There is a large pile of loom right off of pond. Decie asked the owner to cover the loom so it doesn't erode. The piles will be spread over the septic system. He is hydro-seeding. Dempsey said the pile needs to be gone by Saturday.

Billis Way- they are working in front. There is a house on left and they are starting on one on the right.

Sewall St. Conditions

The applicant will need to pay for the reports for the testing done on the fill being brought in.

In light of the increase of fill being brought in, what kind of bond is there and how long will it be in place?

What kind of impact will this have on the turtle habitat? Erosion controls are in place.

Recommendations:

1. No fill will be placed in new area until court decision.
2. Ask for annual monitoring of wells.
3. Have Selectmen look at bond for water and resource area.
4. Selectmen to consider having scientist get report.
5. Specify on Notice of Intent file regarding new area.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Items on the agenda:

1. Issues at Lower St.
2. 2 extension requests on permits
3. Johnson Pond weed removal
4. Boat ramp for Johnson's Pond/Veasey Park

Dempsey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. Schaefer seconds. Voted: 5-0.

  
Chairman

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