

TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF GROVELAND MASSACHUSETTS 01834

BOARD:

Conservation Commission

TOPIC:

Monthly Meeting

MEETING DATE:

November 18, 2020

MEETING PLACE:

Town Hall Meeting Hall & Zoom Meeting

TIME:

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. Dempsey, S. Bartelt, J. Gebauer, F. O'Connor

W. Formosi, T. Schaefer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

T. Grim

CONSERVATION AGENT: R. Decie

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GUESTS:

None

1 Ashcroft Terrace- They are completed projects and COC need to be signed.

4 Overlook Drive COC- Completed

245 Center St. - Seasonal Restriction Waiver. They decided to put it off until the spring.

104 King St. - Explanation on items on site walk on 106 King St. The attorney is on a flight back from CA and this will be tabled until the Dec. 9 meeting.

194 Main St. Ext. – A NOI was granted for a duplex to be built. The bylaw permit issued on June 25, 2019 expired on June 25, 2020. The ComCon didn't notice that it expired even though we spoke about it at the July meeting. We will grant a special exemption and extend the permit from April 15, 2021 through October 31, 2021 due to Covid Pandemic.

Conditions:

- 1. No work will be done on site during seasonal restriction. Time will be extended from April 6 through October 31, 2021. If he needs further extension he will have to come in front of the commission.
- 2. Fees will be waived for 2021.

473 Main St. Tree removal

The tree company was supposed to cut down the tree in October but had to reschedule to the first week of November. The tree is within 50 ft. of the Resource Area. Dempsey rode by and it was cut down.

163 Seven Star Rd.

An enforcement order was sent regarding work done in the buffer zone and resource area. Decie and Dempsey spoke to the owner last week. The owner didn't know where the Resource Area was. He is filing a NOI for work that was done. He called the office and got answers to questions he had.

This was the dirt that was in front of his house and he spread 5-6 yards of dirt and planted grass seed. He cleared out the Resource Area. Commissioners would like a granite marker placed there.

268 Washington St.- NOI

An NOI was received and will be on the December agenda.

157 Main St. Billis Way

Modification Request from current owner related to river front area. There is 200ft from river to resource area. The rule is you can only disturb up to 10% of the area according to DEP. Their filing for the calculation was correct which affects Lot#3. The calculations were redone by the Engineering Company. Up to 17,858 of land could be disturbed. 13,295 was approved for Storm Water System.

DEP allows you to exclude sq. ft. for Storm Water; 15,895 sq. in which is 9% of river front area and nothing has to be done.

Dempsey motions to approve the river front area change in calculation to 15,895 sq. ft. which is 9% of river front area. Formosi seconds. Voted 6-0.

Dempsey motioned to open the hearing part of the meeting at 7:33p.m. Bartelt seconds. Voted 6-0.

170 Washington St. GRDA

A replacement Septic System is needed. The engineer thought they should be filing for a GRDA.

Dempsey went to see it on Sunday afternoon. The system repair is outside the 100 ft. buffer zone. This backs up to Johnson's Pond. The edge of the deck is the edge of the buffer. The system is a replacement because the septic system failed. Erosions controls will be placed along resource area. There was some confusion on the filing. The engineer thought he had to file with DEP but he didn't.

Gebauer motioned for a negative determination on the septic system as it has no impact on the resource area. Schaeffer seconds the motion. Voted: 6-0.

Dempsey motions to close the hearing portion of meeting at 7:44p.m. Gebauer seconds. Voted: 6-0.

Dempsey told the commission that Rosemary Decie has resigned from her position commencing on November 19.

Minutes- The October 2020 minutes were tabled until next month's meeting.

Open Discussion

16 Pandora Drive

There was conflicting information regarding filings for this property. The closest point is 120ft to the resource area.

Maple Terrace and Oakland Terrace / 733 Salem St.

Steve Dehullu is the contractor and they are done with the water line. It was completed by November 1. Further in from Oakland Terrace is loam.

203 Center St.

Follow up- There is a home on the hill. Erosion controls which are straw waddles are falling apart. They will make sure it gets fixed.

DEP did not overturn the determination 106 King St. A neighbor filed to try to supersede and overturn the determination but DEP upheld Conservation Commission's determination.

Sewall St. DEP Hearing

Mr. Daly is appealing the superseding order. He is waiting for a judicial hearing.

The next meeting will be December 9, 2020.

Gebauer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Schaefer seconds. Voted 6-0.

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