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BOARD: Conservation Commission

TOPIC: Monthly Meeting MEETING DATE: October 9, 2019

MEETING PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Dempsey, F. O'Connor, J. Gebauer, W. Formosi, T. Schaefer,

MEMBERS ABSENT: T. Grim
CONSERVATION AGENT: R. Decie
GUESTS: None

Gebauer motioned to open the meeting at 7:07 p.m. Dempsey seconds the motion. Voted: 5-0.

180 R Center Street- Request for minor changes

Wetlands Scientist, Mary Rimmer explained the changes. The changes were shifting the driveway 4.7 ft. to the east (right) to save the pine tree. There would be a slight shift on the retaining wall- 5ft. change in the vertical retaining wall to help with trailers turning radius around this area. Right now it is too tight. Erosion control was shown on the plan. There is less disturbances in there. The same number of total disturbance hasn't changed. The area of the driveway extends 5 ft. at its widest point. There is some wetland impact being reduced at one corner.

Gebauer moves to accept the modified plan dated September 14, 2019 and that the adjustments to have the 5ft. turning radius and shift driveway 4.7 ft. O'Connor seconds. Voted: 5-0.

301 Main St. RDA- All the work will be in paved area and no erosion controls are necessary. It will take 2-3 days to complete. We approved a negative determination. A silt fence will be placed for erosion control.

Minutes:

Gebauer motions to accept the amended minutes from September 11, 2019 as submitted. Schaefer seconds. Voted 4-0-1. Formosi abstained.

Open Space and Recreation Committee- There will be a meeting on October 21 at 6:00p.m. for public comment.

Open Orders of Condition- a list was compiled by Rosemary Decie and letters will be sent out.

Pentucket High School Site Visit- Dempsey said they did a site visit for the new school site. They want to meet with the wetlands scientists. Decie said she spoke with the people working on the area and the land has been flagged. Decie said it would be a good idea for both West Newbury Conservation and Groveland to take a look at the property together. A site visit is scheduled for October 26 at 9:00a.m. in front of the high school.

Gebauer motioned to open the hearing portion of the meeting at 7:32p.m. Formosi seconds. Voted: 5-0.

Sewall St ANRAD

Conservation Commission hired Marc Jacobs, Wetlands Scientist for this Peer Review. Last Friday Dempsey met Jacobs along with a representative for Mr. Daly for the site visit. We don't have Mr. Jacobs report and the updated plan changes. Dempsey would like to continue to next month (November 13). Dempsey motioned to continue the Sewall St. ANRAD to November 13, 2019. Formosi seconds. Voted: 5-0.

181 School Street GRDA

Some of the residents would like to see the DEP data forms. A copy of a peer review and the forms are available. Scott Hochmuch of Williams and Sparages Engineering, met with representatives from LEC and walked the property. There is a wet species in the middle where it flattens out and it appears some loam has been removed. There are no signs of hydrology in the area. It does lack the requirements of the hydrology resource area. We are confident there are no jurisdiction resource areas on the property.

Tim Dexter- 185 School St. who abuts the land stated the site was a questionable area. He and his coalition will be appealing with Mass DEP because he is questioning the protection action resources scientist.

Gebauer motioned to make a negative determination for the RDA at 181 School St. Schaefer seconds. Voted: 5-0.

Oakland Terrace- GNOI/RDA continued- Bill Holt

The 3 lots located at 733 Salem St. The applicant met with the Water Dept. Water lines have to be looped. It can be looped on Washington St. or be looped in back of Benjamin St. which is 400 more feet than Washington St. The applicant will want to go the Washington St. route. A 20ft. wide easement will be on back side of the lots.

There will be 6 markers on the 75ft. buffer which is currently proposed.

Dempsey moves for negative determination the RDA for Lot 68G and subdivision as filed. Gebauer seconds. Voted: 5-0.

Dempsey motions to approve the plans for Lot 68G as submitted with 6 markers at the 75 ft. no disturb zone and erosion controls with no driveway on Maple Meadow Lane. Formosi seconds. Voted: 5-0.

28 Benjamin St- GNOI/NOI- Bill Holt

Holt is representing the owner in the building of 1 additional lot on 1.4 acres on this roadway. Hay bales were put on 34 Benjamin St. Gebauer and Grim went on the site walk. The pond that is supposed to be set up will be privately owned. It will be maintained by the owners and part of their deed. There will be an owner's manual on how to operate it. The roadway will be built and it will be privately owned.

Gebauer motioned accept the GNOI/NOI for 28 Benjamin St. as submitted on the plan dated 8/22/19 with additional hay bales to be placed and silt sock as marked on the plan. Dempsey seconds. Voted: 4-1. Dempsey opposed.

895 Salem St. RDA/GRDA

Phil Henry, CDG Engineering spoke of the 11 acre site and they have been working with National Heritage in which there will be a mixed use (storage area, office use). They are limiting their work to be under 2 acres. An agreement was made and there would be a boundary line and markers placed. There will also be a seasonal restriction because of the totals. The closest part will be right at the 100 ft. buffer zone. Everything else will be farther away.

Tom Lead, Wetlands Scientist said the sight is very rocky and has slopes. There is a lot of beaver activity. There is a small isolated wetland with an intermittent stream. The wetlands is 700ft. which falls under the bylaw.

Dave Cadiosa- 3 Dana Drive, an abuttor to the property has concerns.

Dempsey would like to do a site walk and have a peer review delineation. Dempsey said on a peer review on the wetlands, we don't focus on intermittent stream.

On the habitat review, we need to look at the agreement with National Heritage to see if there are any conflicts with the bylaw. We need to be careful of the development of this area especially the blanding turtle habitat.

Gebauer moved to continue the GRDA/RDA for 895 Salem St. to November 13. O'Connor seconds. Voted: 5-0.

Schaeffer moved to close the hearing portion of the meeting at 9:08 p.m. Gebauer seconds.

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Chairman