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BOARD: Conservation Commission
TOPIC: Monthly Meeting
MEETING DATE: September 18, 2019
MEETING PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Dempsey, F. O'Connor, J. Gebauer, T. Grim
MEMBERS ABSENT: W. Formosi, T. Schaefer,
CONSERVATION AGENT: R. Decie (absent)
GUESTS: None

Dempsey motioned to open the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Grim seconds the motion. Voted: 4-0.

Groveland Open Space and Recreation Plan and 5 Year Action Plan

Dempsey gave a handout on the Goals and Objectives of the Open Space and Recreation Plan along with a 5 Year Plan.

The goals are the following:

1. Protect Groveland's water resources, particularly its aquifers.
2. Protect the small-town rural character of Groveland.
3. Preserve Groveland's natural resources, including rare wildlife and their core habitat as well as open space, scenic vistas, farms, trails, greenways and wildlife corridors and especially land that enhances and buffers existing conservation land.
4. Enhance recreational opportunities by protecting existing recreational land and acquiring additional land to meet increased demand due to projected population growth and to provide desired recreational offerings.

Grim commented on Goal #1 stating to work to minimize invasive species. We need to identify the species.

The Elm Square Committee is looking to get access to the river from Elm Park.

Dempsey said for Goal #4, the town is looking for grants and CPA to maximize the current facilities.

Executive Summary from E-Code

The Town Planner would like to know if the Conservation Commission is interested in this.

E-Code Options

The town planner is working on this and maybe the next fiscal year we could be compliant with the other Boards. ZBA and Planning are working to be compliant.

Conservation Agent Update

Open Projects- Seasonal Restrictions will commence on November 1st which means no work in the buffer zone. Most of the projects have been completed. Decie needs to follow up on ten items and report back to the commission at the October meeting. She had an update on the horse farm at 180 Center St. The driveway into the facility is complete and the culvert was being worked on. TEC is the monitoring firm watching over this project.

929-931 Salem St- No activity at the site.

Minutes:

Grim motions to accept the minutes to August 21, 2019 as submitted. Gebauer seconds. Voted: 3-0-1. Grim abstained.

Dempsey motions to open the hearing portion of the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Grim seconds.

Oakland Terrace- GNOI/RDA- Bill Holt

The 3 lots located at 733 Salem St has 300ft. of roadway. Wetlands are in the rear of the property. 2100 feet of work is in the buffer zone only. All runoff will go onto Salem Street. They comply too DEP Storm Water Mgmt. No is no extra runoff in rear of property. The only problem is water service with Water Dept right now. The Groveland Water Dept. requires looping in all new subdivisions. Another option are wells. Holt would like to continue hearing to next month due to the water issue.

Dempsey asked about Lot 68D. He asked if Holt had granite markers proposed on that lot. He would like them placed on the 75ft no built line. Dempsey will mark this he said. Grim moved to continue the hearing to October 9. Gebauer second the motion. Voted: 4-0.

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. This will be at the end of Benjamin Street. Tests were done for the septic system.

The house is outside the buffer zone. A little piece of the roadway is in the buffer zone but it's not in the 75ft zone.

Dempsey would like to do a site walk at 9:00 a.m. on October 5 at 32 Benjamin St.

The driveway will be tipped and there will be a berm put in to avoid flooding.

Gebauer moved to continue meeting to October 9, 2019. Grim seconds the motion. Voted: 4-0.

Sewall St ANRAD

This is a Groveland ANRAD to confirm wetland delineation for Sewall St. in Groveland.

The areas were flagged. COC was issued then MR. Tebow sold the land to Mr. Daly and acquired the DiBiase property. All the topography is based by the rock underneath. For this ANRAD, we would like the old flags to be reaffirmed.

ZBA is hiring Marc Jacobs and the Conservation Commission will be using him to complete the peer review. It is a complicated site.

Dempsey motions to hire Mark Jacobs for a Peer Review per his proposal to ZBA. Grim seconds. Voted: 4-0.

Dempsey motions to continue Sewall St ANRAD to October 9, 2019. Grim seconds. Voted: 4-0.

181 School Street-continued from August meeting for RDA filing.

At this meeting we requested a peer review of the Williams & Sparages Engineering. They were hired. Greg Hockmoch did the peer review on this property. Unfortunately, he couldn't be here tonight. A letter was sent stating he reviewed the site plan and completed a site visit on September 19, 2019. The letter stated that jurisdictional wetland do not exist on the property.

LEC- Tom Peragallo represented the owner of the property.

Tim Dexter- 185 School St. who abuts the land stated that Mass DEP data forms were not submitted with this RDA and as part of the review from wetland scientist.

It is not a wetland resource area. The soil test log says there were no location of where the soil test were. Peragallo showed the site plan to the commissioners.

Grim moved to have Greg Hockmoch fill in forms to prove his negative determination. Gebauer second the motion. Voted: 4-0.

Grim moved to continue the hearing to October 9. Gebauer seconds the motion. Voted: 4-0.

301 Main St. RDA- Dawn Avanti representing the gas company stated a new gas service line was being installed. 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. Motion by Dempsey, second by Gebauer. Voted: 4-0.

28 Washington St-GNOI

Jim Scanlon is representing the owner regarding a new septic system.

The property has a 2 family house and it needs a new septic and leach field.

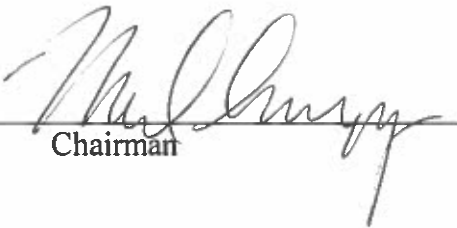
There is a wetland on the rear of the property which is ½ in the 75ft buffer zone.

The existing septic system is by the pool. They are placing the septic closer so it's further away from the wetlands and the buffer. A silt fence will be placed and no hay bales for erosion controls.

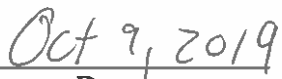
Grim moved to accept the plans as is dated July 30, 2019. O'Connor seconds. Voted: 4-0. Gebauer motions to close the hearing portion of the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Grim seconds. Voted: 4-0.

The meetings in October, November and December will be on the second Wednesday of the month.

Grim moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Gebauer seconds. Voted: 4-0.



Chairman



Date