

Town of Bellingham
Conservation Commission
Municipal Center
Bellingham, MA 02019
Minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2014

Project: 105-721 & BWP-54
CANRAD

Project Description:
Blackstone & North Streets
Resource Area Delineation Confirmation

Applicant:
Anthony Marinella
Marinella Development Corp.
PO Box 411
Franklin, MA 02038

Representative:
Arthur Allen
EcoTec, Inc.
102 Grove Street
Worcester, MA 01605

Plans: Marinella Development Corp. ANRAD Plan, Index page and Sheets 1 – 11, Aug. 30, 2012, Revised Dec. 16, 2013, EcoTec Ltr Re: ANRAD Review Revisions and Remedial Activities

Continuation time: 7:30 PM

Arthur Allen was present when Cliff Matthews opened the continued hearing. Mr. Allen stated that he submitted revised ANRAD plans dated 12/16/13 and that the revisions were based on five site walks that were held with Mr. Allen and Commission members this past autumn. He stated that he also submitted one copy of the color progress sheet and four copies of an email regarding the wetland series CE flags buffer zone stockpile area and restoration plan. Mr. Allen then proceeded to illustrate and summarize the revisions to the ANRAD plans including Sheets 1, 3 6 and 7 (see plans). Upon completion, Mr. Allen stated that at this time, he would ask the Commission to continue the hearings and issue a Reliance Letter stating that the wetland boundaries and intermittent stream have been confirmed under the Wetlands Protection Act (WPA). The letter would also state that further review is necessary under the Bellingham Wetlands Protection Bylaw to confirm vernal pools on the site. Cliff Matthews stated that the Commission's thoughts on the two hearings was that we could close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions under the WPA and continue the BWP Bylaw hearing in order to confirm the vernal pools in the spring. Barry Lariviere made a motion to close the WPA hearing and issue an ORAD under the WPA and continue the BWP Bylaw hearing to April 23, 2014 at 7:30 PM in order to have ample time to identify existence of any vernal pools on the site. The motion was seconded by Neal Standley and voted unanimously in favor.

Project: 105-615
CNOI

Project Description:
Hartford Avenue / Shoppes at Bellingham Phase I
14 buildings, parking areas, stormwater & wastewater mgt., &
new access road off North Main Street

Applicant:
Robert Frazier
W/S Development
1330 Boylston St.
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

Representative:
ERM / Ann McMenemy
399 Boylston St.
Boston, MA 02116

Plans: Proposed Site & Roadway, notice of Intent Permit Plans, Revised 4/27/2011
Drainage Report, The Shoppes at Bellingham, Appendix A & Appendix B, rev 4/27/2011

Continuation time: 7:30 PM

Cliff Matthews opened the continued hearing and stated that the applicant had to request another continuation due to University of New Hampshire consultant being unavailable due to delay in travel resulting from winter weather conditions. Motion was made by Barry Lariviere to continue to Jan. 22nd at 8:00 PM. Neal Standley seconded the motion and it was voted unanimously in favor.

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8: 05 PM

Informational Meeting/ Natural Resource Services/ Scott Rabideau and Ed Avizinis/ new consultants for the Conservation Commission

Mr. Rabideau was present for Natural Resource Services (NRS) and Art Allen was present as well. Mr. Rabideau was introduced to the Conservation Commission members and Art Allen who has filed the current ANRAD filing for Mr. Marinella (see previous hearing). Cliff Matthews stated that the Conservation Commission Administrator, George Holmes, retired as of December 31, 2013. The Conservation Commission has asked Scott Rabideau of Natural Resource Services to work with the Commission by conducting site work review and other tasks as needed to fill the void that has been left due to Mr. Holmes' retirement. Anne Matthews will also absorb some of the administration tasks and will have limited scheduled hours at the Municipal Center at the Conservation Commission Office. Cliff stated that Anne Matthews had met with Ed Avizinis of NRS the previous morning to review the Conservation Commission's expectations of services for the upcoming months. Mr. Avizinis also received a few files to begin site walks this Friday, Jan. 10th. Mr. Rabideau stated that Ed would provide short reports after each site walk and that Scott would provide more detailed reports with his monthly invoices. The Commission gave Mr. Rabideau permission to shut any job down if he encountered a lack of cooperation from the contractors on site regarding remedial action to protect resource areas or discovered violations of Orders of Conditions.

8:30 PM

Informational/ Sean Boddy/ Proposed Eagle Scout project at the rear of High Street fields

Sean Boddy, a student in the Bellingham school system, approached the Conservation Commission to discuss his proposal for an Eagle Scout project which would be located at the rear of the High Street fields. He presented a display board with photos of the intermittent stream illustrating the existing conditions at the area of the site that he proposes to build a bridge. He stated that this area experiences seasonal flooding and that walkers and hikers have a difficult time traversing the soaked earth. His proposal is to build a wooden structure to bridge the wet expanse to allow for walkers and hikers to utilize the hiking path. He would also like to add trail markers, remove the existing decrepit pallets that are currently being utilized as a bridge and construct a new bridge to replace it. Cliff Matthews stated that the muddy area is an intermittent stream and the land is owned by the Conservation Commission. Commission members agreed that this is a worthy project but that Sean would have to file a Notice of Intent as part of the project. Sean was also asked to visit the site in spring thaw to determine how wide the crossing must be to safely cover the expanse and to protect the resource areas. After filing the Notice of Intent under the Wetlands Protection Act and the local bylaw, Sean would receive an Order of Conditions from the Conservation Commission and would then be allowed to proceed with the project. Sean was warned that this process would be more involved than he probably had expected. Sean stated that he was still interested in proceeding. Sean will submit information for the Commission to endorse the Eagle Scout project so that he can present it to the Boy Scout Council for approval. Mr. Matthews stated in summary that the concept of this project is good. He told Sean that he would have to develop a plan with details of the proposal including bridge layout and construction details and file an application with the Conservation Commission. The Commission would advertise the filing, hold a public hearing, conduct a site walk and then write an Order of Conditions before Sean could proceed. Commission members encouraged Sean was to use the town website for mapping, draw a concept and submit to the Commission for endorsement.

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Project: 105-722 & BWP-57
CNOI

Project Description:
Hartford Avenue, Monique Dr., Theresa Rd. Lisa Ann Dr.
Nason Street & Taunton Street

Applicant:
Bellingham DPW
26 Blackstone St.
Bellingham, MA

Representative:
Charles Caron, Caron Environmental Consulting
247 Bragg Hill Road
Westminster, MA

Plans: NOI & "Bellingham Dept. of Public Works; North Route Raw Water Main", Sheets G1, C1 through C18, dated August 13, 2013, Revised Sept. 25, 2013 & Rev NOI: Sheet Drawing C-4 rev. Jan. 14, 2014 & Rev Bylaw Waiver Request and NOI
Continuation Time: 9:00 PM

After the continued hearing was opened, Cliff Matthews stated that the applicant had submitted revisions to Sheet Drawing C-4 dated Jan. 14, 2014 omitting the words "non-jurisdictional to the Commission" for the plans for the installation of raw water main from Well #12 to Hartford Avenue. Barry Lariviere made a motion to close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions. Neal Standley seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The minutes of the meeting of October 23, 2013 and December 11, 2013 were accepted.

The Commission signed:

Cert. of Compliance 105-446/190 Mechanic St/Conroy Dev./warehouse
Cliff Matthews reported that the new property managers had requested a re-issuance of the Certificate of Compliance that was issued to Conroy Dev. in 2006 for the Amended Order of Conditions. Cliff visited the site to confirm that the Operation and Maintenance Plan had been implemented over the years and discovered that the site needed basin mowing, swale mowing, catch basin maintenance, etc. Although most of the maintenance was performed today, the Commission will hold the signed Certificate of Compliance until we receive a copy of the maintenance contracts from the applicant next week.

Order of Conditions 105-722 & BWP-57/ Hartford Ave. Raw Water Mains/DPW

Ethics Summaries were distributed to all Conservation Commission members who signed for receipt. The signed receipts will be submitted to the town clerk tomorrow.

The Board of Selectmen signed the open space deed for Bellingham Estates this past Monday, Jan. 6th. It will be sent to Mark Kablack for recording and then returned to the ConCom for filing.

Both Bellingham Realty's Lot 10 Silver Lake Road and Sewer Line adjudications processes cannot proceed until the bylaw Orders of Conditions are resolved in Superior Court.

Attending the meeting were: Cliff Matthews, Barry Lariviere, Neal Standley, Brian Norton, Michael O'Herron, and Anne Matthews.