

Essex Conservation Commission

November 3, 1998 - Minutes

Present: Edwin Perkins, Chairman, Edith Messersmith, Peter Perrigo, Thomas Prentiss, George Stavros.

Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.

A continuation of a public hearing was held at 7:36 p.m. under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Glenn Muise covering the upgrade of a septic system and the relocation of 30 feet of driveway at 77 Wood Drive.

As there was no representation for the hearing, the Board felt it should be continued to the next meeting.

Prentiss moved to continue the hearing for Glenn Muise, 77 Wood Drive, to Tuesday, November 17, 1998, at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Messersmith, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A building permit application was submitted for Woodman's, Inc., Main Street, for the construction of an addition to the Function Hall. Perkins said he reviewed the site, and found the addition was going to be to the left of the front entrance, and, therefore, away from the resource area. The building permit application was signed.

A building permit application was submitted for Richard O'Donnell, 48 Belcher Street, for the construction of a single family dwelling. O'Donnell has an Order of Conditions for the construction of a driveway (awaiting a D.E.P. File Number), but the dwelling is outside of the 100 foot buffer zone, therefore, the Commission felt the building permit application for the house construction only, could be signed.

Engineer Clay Morin submitted a revised plan for the construction of a driveway for Richard O'Donnell, 48 Belcher Street, showing the retention pond, as was requested by the Commission at the public hearing held on September 15, 1998.

Engineer Clay Morin submitted a revised plan for the property of James Conway, 174 Western Avenue. Morin had met with the Board on September 15, 1998, for an informal discussion on a plan showing an addition to the existing building and the construction of a second building. Morin told the Board that there would now be only one building which would be as an

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addition to the existing structure. This will be for light manufacturing, which would require, under the Zoning By-laws, sufficient parking for that use. The Board felt the parking area should be paved. The total area of the property is 105,082 square feet, the wetland area is 46,713 square feet, the upland area is 58,368 square feet and the percentage of upland is 56%. The closest portion to the wetlands is a distance of 29 feet.

Morin notified the Board that the septic system project on Choate Street, property of Cynthia Lamphear, will be commencing. Commission member Edith Messersmith is the representative for the project.

The Board reviewed the revised plan submitted by Morin for the retention pond for Richard O'Donnell, 48 Belcher Street. Morin said the Department of Public Works has approved the plan. There will be no overspill pipe, but a low spot will be there. They may make the retention pond a little longer so it will be parallel with the street.

The Board reviewed a plot plan for property of Richard and Patricia Pierro, 5 Pine Ridge Road, for the construction of a swimming pool. Perkins said he will look at the subdivision plan, showing the wetlands, prior to making a decision.

There was a discussion on Peter Van Wyck's Superceding Order of Conditions for Turtleback Road. James Sprague of the Department of Environmental Protection will be making a site visit to the property on Thursday.

A revised plan was submitted for Dorothy B. Lunken Trust for the reconstruction of an existing pier located on the Essex River at 64 Eastern Avenue. The original proposal was for steel pilings, but will now be wooden pilings.

Perrigo moved to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of September 1, 1998, as read, seconded by Messersmith, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Perkins told the Board that Attorney Richard Kalliman had asked him about the vernal pool on the Heath property and how it stood with the EPA. He told him that the EPA called, told him there would be no buffer zone around the vernal pool - this information was given verbally, with nothing put in writing. Perkins said he indicated to Kalliman that he did not want to

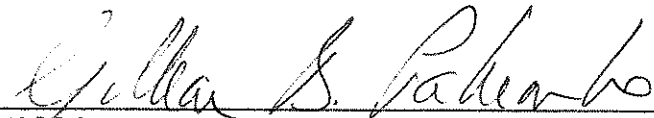
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bring this up again with the EPA.

Messersmith moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stavros,
with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Attest: