

Essex Conservation Commission

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Present: Edwin Perkins, Chairman, Robert Brophy, Wallace Bruce, Peter Perrigo, Thomas Prentiss, George Stavros.

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

Due to the absence of the Administrative Clerk, the Minutes were taken by Commission Member Wallace Bruce.

A public hearing was held under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on an Abbreviated Notice of Intent filed by Bell Atlantic covering the replacement of an existing cesspool with a holding tank at 5 Spring Street.

Engineer Clay Morin represented Bell Atlantic. Morin told the Board that Eastern Land Survey Associates had the area surveyed for the tight tank. He also noted that the installation of the tight tank may or may not happen with the sewer line coming to Essex from Gloucester. In any event, the cesspool will be filled in. The Notice of Intent was reviewed

T. Prentiss moved to close the public hearing for Bell Atlantic, seconded by P. Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A public hearing was held under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by John Broderick covering the repaving of an existing parking lot at Lewis's Restaurant, 234 John Wise Avenue.

Broderick told the Board that he would like to pave the existing parking lot, consisting of 7,000 square feet. The present parking lot consists of gravel and lynnac. Broderick indicated it would make plowing easier with paving. The parking lot is within the buffer zone and the proposed area to be paved is next to the paved area. The Board said they will require a silt fence. The Board reviewed the Notice of Intent and plans. It was noted that Joseph Ginn will do the paving.

R. Brophy moved to close the public hearing for John Broderick, seconded by P. Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

The Order of Conditions was written for Bell Atlantic, 5 Spring

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Street.

P. Perrigo moved to approve the installation of a holding tank for Bell Atlantic, 5 Spring Street, seconded by T. Prentiss, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

The Order of Conditions was written for John Broderick, Lewis's Restaurant, 234 John Wise Avenue.

T. Prentiss moved to approve the proposed paving of the parking area for John Broderick, 234 John Wise Avenue, seconded by W. Bruce, with the Board voting unanimously in favor. The Board required that a silt fence be placed on the west and south side of the parking lot as an addition to the special conditions boilerplate.

A request for an extension to Order of Conditions D.E.P. File Number 21-319 was made by Carl Coose, 75 Wood Drive.

T. Prentiss moved to approve the extension requested by Carl Coose, 75 Wood Drive, for Order of Conditions D.E.P. File Number 21-319, seconded by W. Bruce, with R. Brophy, T. Prentiss, W. Bruce and G. Stavros voting in favor; P. Perrigo abstained.

A public hearing was held under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Nancy E. DeVille and John A. Davis for the reconstruction of an existing single family residence at 18 Coral Hill.

Robert Griffin of Griffin Engineering represented N. Deville and J. Davis. The proposed project is to demolish the existing 1,210 square feet single family dwelling and reconstruct a dwelling 1,230 square feet in size. Dual silt fences will be placed along the lake side of the construction. Stavros voiced his concern over the area of impervious material on the lot. Linda Carnevale, 16 Coral Hill, raised a) the issue of the footprint of the area, b) the house will be closer to her house, and c) hardship cases were made in the past. Mary Mahoney, 20 Coral Hill, requested the Board make a site visit to the property. Because of the issues raised and to make a site visit to the property, W. Bruce moved to continue the public hearing for Nancy DeVille and John Davis, 18 Coral Hill, to June 6, 2000, at 7:55 p.m., seconded P. Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor. The site visit will be made on Thursday, May 18, 2000, at 5:00 p.m. R. Griffin said he will attempt to stake the area for

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the site visit.

A continuation of a public hearing was held under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Creative Development Associates, LLP, for the construction of a 16 foot wide common driveway at 66 Choate Street.

The Board reviewed the new plan submitted, showing the stone culvert and the proposed 12" HDPE culvert.

P. Perrigo moved to close the public hearing for Creative Development Associates, seconded by T. Prentiss, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A public hearing was held under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by James Ansara for the construction of a single family dwelling, driveway improvement and bridge repair on Andrews Street, Assessors Map 6, Parcel 19.

Sheldon Pennoyer represented J. Ansara. The Board reviewed the Notice of Intent and engineered plans. A portion of the site lies within the riverfront area of an on-site perennial stream. The top of the bank location was located by a field topographical survey by Hancock Survey Associates, Inc. Replacement of the existing bridge to the property is proposed in the inner riparian boundaries of the riverfront area for this project as well as improvement and paving of the existing wood road. All remaining work is proposed beyond the outer riparian zone of the riverfront area. Pennoyer said the entry bridge will be constructed of wood designed to carry a cement truck. Erosion and sedimentation control will be in place the length of the road and on both sides within the buffer zone. Greg Crockett, 130 Rocky Hill Road, questioned the Board regarding the conservation restriction on the property.

With no further questions from the Board or the public, T. Prentiss moved to close the public hearing for James Ansara, seconded by W. Bruce, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Note: D.E.P. File Number 21-399 has been issued for this project.

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T. Prentiss moved to approve the project of J. Ansara, Andrews Street, as submitted in the Notice of Intent, seconded by P. Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

John Papps, 39 Wood Drive, met with the Board to discuss a proposed project to his dwelling. Papps wishes to enclose a screened porch, and to remove a cedar post, used as a support for the porch, with a concrete lally column. The oil tank is under this area and Papps said he would consider the installation of a retaining wall to contain the oil if a leakage should occur. The Board said he should file a Request for a Determination of Applicability for the work.


The Board reviewed the correspondence.

Next meeting of the Commission will be June 6, 2000.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Submitted by:



Wallace Bruce

Attest: