

Essex Conservation Commission

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Present: Peter Perrigo, Acting Chairman, Robert Brophy,
Wallace Bruce, Stephen Gersh, Thomas Prentiss.

Meeting called to order at 7:34 p.m.

A public hearing was held at 7:35 p.m. under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Kevin Flaherty covering the installation of a tight tank at 61 Harlow Street.

Daniel Johnson represented Kevin Flaherty. D. Johnson told the Board that the applicant has a septic system which is failing Title V. No soil test would support a septic system with the wetlands in close proximity. The homeowner is hoping to have an addition to the dwelling, but this needs approval. It was noted the applicant will be coming in with another filing for the addition. D. Johnson said the reason he placed the tank in the location shown on the plan is because he did not want to place it under the driveway. This location brings it closer to the wetlands by 10 to 16 feet. Commission member S. Gersh said he drives by the property each day and confirmed there is no other choice. D. Johnson said the existing failing system will be pumped out and backfilled. When questioned about the buoyancy of the tank, D. Johnson said he has recommended ballasts for it.

With no further questions from the Board or the public, S. Gersh moved to close the public hearing, seconded by R. Brophy, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A building permit application submitted by Paul Famolari for the construction of a barn at 106 Southern Avenue was reviewed. As there were no wetland issues, P. Perrigo signed the application.

The Order of Conditions was written for Kevin Flaherty, 61 Harlow Street.

S. Gersh moved to approve the installation of a tight tank for Kevin Flaherty, 61 Harlow Street, seconded by R. Brophy, with the Board voting unanimously in favor. The Board requested the siltation barrier, shown on the plan as haybales, be changed to a bio fence, as one of the special conditions.

S. Gersh suggested that a cover letter be sent with the Order of Conditions noting the telephone number of the Commission's

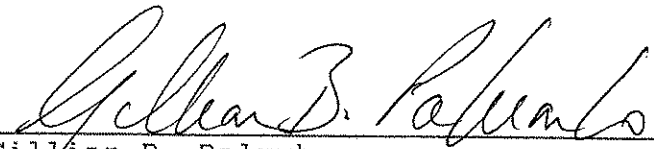
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representative, and requesting that the representative be called prior to the commencement of any work.

S. Gersh moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by R. Brophy, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Prepared by:



Gillian B. Palumbo
Administrative Clerk

Attest: