

ESSEX CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

JUNE 15, 2010

Members: Wallace Bruce, Chairman – present
Joseph Ahearn - present
Robert Brophy - present
Philip Caponigro – absent
Elisabeth Frye - present
James Rynkowski – present
Shirley Singleton - absent

Building Permit Applications:

A Building Permit Application was presented for 129 John Wise Avenue on behalf of the homeowner (Riehl) for the repair of the residence. After review, it was determined that the work did not fall within the jurisdiction of the WPA and the application was signed by W. Bruce. Signed application

Public Hearings:

The Commission continued a Public Hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by James McGraw of Costello Construction to reconstruct existing dwelling and sewage disposal system with associated retaining wall, grading and utility connections at 43 Lufkin Point Road. It was determined that there was not a quorum of members who had been at the initial hearing on this project and that the meeting should be continued. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to continue the hearing to July 6, 2010.

The Commission opened a public Hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by Robert Dutton to replace an existing substandard driveway and culvert at 24 Lufkin Point Road. Mr. Dutton reviewed the plans with the Commission and provided additional photos of the area. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to close the public hearing. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to issue an OOC with the conditions that the pipe for the culvert be as large as reasonably possible for the project and that the culvert be maintained on an annual or as needed basis and that the maintenance condition shall survive the issuance of a COC.

The Commission continued a Public Hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by Karen McNiff, Trustee of Chocorua Realty Trust to construct a single family home with garage, septic system, and associated grading and utilities at Lot 4A, near 90 Apple Street. It was determined that there was not a quorum of members who had been at the initial hearing on this project and that the meeting should be continued. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to continue the hearing to July 6, 2010.

The Commission continued a Public Hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by Apple Street Nominee Trust to construct a 20' wide road for a single family development with associated drainage structures,

utilities and wetland replication area at Land of Essex Park Road. The Commission had not received the report from the peer review and determined that the hearing should be continued. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to continue the hearing to July 6, 2010.

Business:

J. Hankin advised that he had met with Helen Bethell of Manchester-Essex Conservation Trust ("MECT"). Ms. Bethell had advised of an ongoing dispute with Francis Burnham which may involve MECT land in the area of Bishop's Grave. Mr. Burnham has not responded to correspondence from MECT and the Commission may need to get involved if the area falls under the WPA. Ms. Bethell also advised that MECT had been researching Essex town meeting records to determine what land has been donated as conservation land. A list of the properties has been provided to J. Hankin. The Clerk will provide copies to the members at the next meeting.

Business:

The Commission reviewed and signed a Certificate of Compliance for 39 Spring Street (Winkler).

The Commission reviewed and signed Determinations for 31 E. Gregory Island Road (James) and 97 Conomo Point Road (Kelly).

The Commission discussed the reappointment of J. Rynkowski. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to advise the Selectmen to reappoint J. Rynkowski.

On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes as presented for the meeting of May 18, 2010.

On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission unanimously approved an increase for the hourly Clerk's wage to \$19.48/hour.

On a motion made and duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: _____

Prepared by: _____