

ESSEX CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes for the Meeting of December 3, 2013

Commissioners: Staff:

Wallace Bruce, Chairman

Robert Brophy

Elisabeth Frye

Ted Marshall

James Richardson
Shirley Singleton
Samantha Stevens

Deborah Cunningham Administrative Clerk

Bill Decie, Agent

*Absent

The Commission continued the Public hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by James Georgoulakos, Jr. to construct a single family house and appurtenances, including a crushed stone parking area, fencing, and yard grading activities at 32 Belcher Street. The hearing had been continued so that members of the Commission could have a site visit to better understand the project. The Chairman advised that he and the Agent had met on site with the Applicant and the Engineer. J. Richardson advised that he had also gone by the property. The Agent advised that the applicant had agreed to move the fence line to 15 feet from the wetland line and no work would be done in that area. There were no questions for the applicant or his representative so the Commission proceeded to close the hearing. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission closed the public hearing.

The Commission then moved on to discussing the conditions for the OOC. Concerns were raised about the work that would be needed to make the back portion of the property up to the fence line a grazing area. Issues such as scrubbing and clear cutting were discussed and the Commission considered options for minimizing any impact to the wetland area. It was determined that the vote on the OOC would be held until the Clerk could draft the language for the conditions based on comments that had been made. The vote to approve and the signing of the OOC would take place on December 17 to meet the 21 day issuance period.

The Commission reviewed the Certificate of Compliance and the language which the Clerk had drafted for the work done at 148 Main Street. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to issue a partial certificate of compliance with the language as drafted by the Clerk.

The Chairman presented the Minutes for the meeting of November 5, 2013 for approval. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

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

Approved: Essex Conservation Commission

Prepared by: Deborah Cunningham, Administrative Clerk