

ESSEX CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes for the Meeting of April 7, 2015

Commissioners: *Absent Staff:

Wallace Bruce, Chairman
Robert Brophy
Ted Marshall
Angus Bruce*
Deborah Cunningham
Administrative Clerk
James Richardson

Michael Burke Samantha Stevens, Agent

The Commission opened a public hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by Scott Woodward of Pike Marine to demolish and replace within the same footprint an existing building which was destroyed by fire at 80 Main Street. Mr. Woodward represented himself and explained the project. The Commission expressed concerns that, although a DEP number had been issued, no comments at been received. After some discussion, the Commission and Mr. Woodward agreed to continue the public hearing to see if any comment were received from the DEP which could impact the plan submitted. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to continue the public hearing.

The discussion regarding the clearing of the Alewife Brook was tabled until the next meeting.

The Commission discussed packages received from an abutter regarding 80 Pond Street. The Clerk advised that she had received a letter requesting documentation regarding the project and had responded as required. The Commission agreed that since the appeal periods had passed that there was nothing that could be done at this time. The Commission asked the Clerk to send a letter to the abutter to notify him of their decision. Mr. Brophy agreed to be the signatory on the letter since Mr. W. Bruce had recused himself due to a personal relationship with the applicant.

The Chairman presented the minutes for the meetings of January 20, 2015 and February 3, 2015 for approval. On a motion made and duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to approve.

The Commission discussed the guidelines for keeping projects watered down during demolition. They had been advised that the 2" diameter hose requirement was too large. It was determined that in the future it would be required that a 1 1/2" hose with a fog nozzle and a connection to an adequate water supply would be required.

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

Approved: Essex Conservation Commission

Prepared by: Deborah Cunningham, Administrative Clerk

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