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TOWN OF GROVELAND MASSACHUSETTS 01834

BOARD: Conservation Commission
TOPIC: Monthly Meeting
MEETING DATE: October 14, 2015
MEETING PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Dempsey, T. Schaefer C. Keene, J. Aalto, T. Grim,
H. Degnan & J. Gebauer
MEMBERS ABSENT: none
GUESTS: none
RECORDER: Hauss

(Action Taken:)

Dempsey motioned to open the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Grim seconds the motion.

(Voted: 7-0).

6 Stonebridge Road- the owner wants to cut and clear trees within buffer zone. The tree cutting is in the rear of the property and was approved in the spring when the lot was split up. The people who bought the land wanted to increase their backyard. A site visit was conducted on September 19. They marked the line between 50ft and 75 ft. There are many small trees in that area. The 75 ft. zone angles to the right. It is marked with an orange paint and tape. On the other side it starts at 60 ft. and goes up to 75 ft.

Keene is concerned with timelines being open when cutting occurs. The commissioners want to know when the work will happen.

Dempsey said we can move the granite markers. They are not in place yet. Dempsey got an email from the builder and met with him on October 2, 2015. Some erosion controls were compromised. They want to move the sewage connection. Dempsey said it is in a better location.

Keene would like to be notified when the tree cutting occurs.

Grim asked what the ramifications are. Before there was a common hook up and now there will be separate hook ups.

Aalto wants to ask why they are asking for separate hook ups.

Grim said we need to get a bond.

Schaefer said there is no grass. We make everyone else wait for one growing season.

Keene said if things aren't done, you won't get my vote.

Gebauer said we could ask them if they want to give a cashier's check or a bond. Give them a choice.

Keene said if the bond is applicable than we should ask for \$1000.00.

Dempsey said \$1000.00 for 4 Stonebridge Rd. and \$1000.00 for 6 Stonebridge Rd.

(Action Taken)

Dempsey motioned to except the plan to allow cutting up at the rear of 6 Stonebridge Rd. between 60 and 100 ft. with an update on the schedule and to move rock wall along 60 ft. buffer as marked on property.

Schaefer seconds the motion. (Voted: 7-0).

Dempsey motioned to allow of movement of sewer connection on from 1A to plan marked September 28, 2015.

Schaefer seconds the motion. (Voted: 7-0).

Dempsey motioned to ask for \$1000.00 for each property for 4 Stonebridge Rd. and 6 Stonebridge Rd. to account for delay of installation of granite markers and earlier request of Certificate of Compliance.

Aalto seconds of motion.

Discussion: Do we release the funds unless it's a voting on. Dempsey said we could hold the funds until the spring. (Voted: 7-0).

213 Washington St.- Logan's have rebuilt their house. They are trying to get their utilities connected on November 15, 2015. They are going to dig a ditch before October 31, 2015. Mrs. Logan said the Water and Sewer Department has the paperwork. If it was done on November 15 it would cost \$775.

(Action Taken:)

Grim motioned to give a one-day waiver for utility installation and reduce the fee to one half.

Aalto seconds the motion. (Voted: 7-0).

NOI/GNOI Seven Star Rd. Map 19 Lot 23 (Parcel A) Estate of Henrietta Petroska.

Alan Roscoe of Cammett Engineering is representing the estate. Next to 121 Seven Star Rd. the house lot is located in the buffer zone. There is no cutting or encroaching within 25 ft. buffer zone. Silk sock was placed for erosion controls. The lot will have septic and well water. There is run off which comes off both sides of street. There was no curbing. It is a 2 1/2 acre lot. They plan on adding a second home eventually to this lot.

Joe Francis- Morrow Lane asked why the project is being pushed forward. Why is the driveway proposed on that side of the lot. The answer is the septic would be too close to the wetlands and that is why the plan is the way it is.

Ruth Provincer who lives on Seven Star Rd. showed a picture to the commissioners of her land and how the water collects onto the area. She said it was often like this during the spring. The snow and the rain build up causes pools of water. The wetlands delineation is incorrect.

Agnos Pappas-124 Seven Star Rd said we are talking about Lots 19-23A. There are many wetlands on it. Groveland's water (well #3&4) are a mile away. Will these wells get polluted? These wetlands have a purpose. When a separate project is completed, will be there a culvert that will dump the water from one site to another site.

On a site walk, the commissioners would like a wetlands scientist at the site. The site visit will be on October 24, 2015. The second date will be October 31, 2015 or November 7, 2015 at 9:00a.m.

(Action Taken)

Dempsey moved to continue to the meeting to November 18, 2018. Aalto seconds the motion. (Voted 7 to 0).

Pecker Lane- The utility work will be done within two weeks. It was a barrier to block the water. The rain stopped at 2:00p.m. Several inches of water came within a few minutes. There is a 30 to 40 ft. depression with sand to which transitions into asphalt. The water eroded through everything but the workers improved the conditions afterwards when they fixed it. Dempsey said they followed what we asked them to do. Dempsey said it was taking care of before a 24 hour time period. Schaefer would like updates to this project.

Lower Center Street Updates- The neighbors and Boy Scouts were unhappy and met with the Selectmen. The Selectmen were upset with the Conservation Commission. Dempsey gave a list of new initiatives for Lower Center Street.

441 Main St.-(Eric Harper) Dempsey said the floats are gone off the property. Schaefer wants to vote for a fine to the landowner. Keene agrees with Schaefer.

(Action Taken:)

Schaefer motions to contact the landowner, Mr. Harper due to his inability to remove the floats off his property as per the agreed time line of May 2015. Schaefer recommends fining Mr. Harper from September 1, 2015 to October 12, 2015 at \$300.00/day. A letter will be sent out registered mail and one in first class mail. Degnan seconds the motion. (Voted 7-0).

Center St.- Greenway. Open Projects

Gravel Removal- Dempsey met with the contractor, Mr. Arakalian, Mr. Cusick and T&R Trucking from Raleigh. The trees have been removed. They are working on Zone 1 and the plan is stop working on November 1, 2015. One thing not settled is to measure how deep they can go where the water line is. They have a problem because there is no constant place of where the water is. Tom Cusick will contact DEP and get data from them. This will be in place probably in the spring.

Enforcement Issues

800 Salem St. Dumping area. Aalto will talk to Mr. Knight to find out if he is planting grass on that property.

Action on Open Projects.

203 Center St. -Schaefer will contact Taylor Turbine.

10 Stonebridge Road- Aalto said the owner wanted to put up a fence but they didn't want the markers covered up. A site visit was done with Tom Karl and Jeff. They didn't make it clear what he should do. Dempsey told him to get work done by November 1, 2015.


(Action Taken:)

Grim motioned to grant a waiver until November 18, 2015 with full fees. Keene seconds the motion. (Voted: 7-0).

6 Berrywood Lane- Mr. Accardi needs to file a Certificate of Compliance. Grim will contact him.

Grim motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Keene seconds the motion. (Voted: 7-0).

The next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Groveland Town Hall.

Approved:  Date: 11/18/15