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BOARD:

Conservation Commission

TOPIC:

Monthly Meeting

MEETING DATE:

May 11, 2016

MEETING PLACE:

Town Hall Meeting Room

TIME:

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. Dempsey, C. Keene, H. Meninger, T. Schaefer, J. Gebauer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

T. Grim,

GUESTS:

none

RECORDER:

Hauss

(Action Taken:)

Dempsey motioned to open the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Gebauer seconds the motion. (Voted: 5-0).

12 Wilbert Avenue GRDA Mearing for shed and deck

The owner would like to demolish the deck and put in a shed.

Schaefer asked about the shed if it is new. The deck will be taken down and a shed will be built. The new shed is within 75 to 100 ft. of the buffer zone.

The Water Dept. Right -of-Way is also on the parcel of land.

Schaefer asked if the shed was going to be taken down by hand. He also asked if sonar tubes were being poured etc.

The owner said the shed and a landing will be placed on top of gravel.

(Action Taken:)

Gebauer motioned to approve the demolition of the deck and build a shed on gravel with no erosion controls. Schaefer second the motion. (Voted: 4-0-1). Grim abstains.

342 Center Street

Dempsey said he received a call from both parties and to meet on April 22. He advised them the best thing to do is file a GRDA, and to put in a driveway on the other side.

Ken Knight explained the movement of the right away from one side to be extinguished and placed on the other side.

The right-of-way is placed in the middle and into the back of the Latham's property. Part of it is within the 50ft, buffer zone.

Latham would like to put gravel about 250ft. He is asking the Conservation Board permission. His right-of-way is overgrown and is impossible. Latham originally wanted hot top. Schaefer said there has to be a hearing posted and we want to do a site walk. A Notice of Intent also has to be filed.

Lower Center Street Update

Boulders by the edge of the road which is to prevent parking are working well. Bob Ward from Haverhill, and Bob Arakalian are going to get more boulders.

The site has been clean for the past 3-4 weeks.

Signage- Groveland Highway Dept. will be painting no parking signs. There are too many signs and some need to be taken down.

<u>Launching of boats</u>- (illegal boat launches)

Dempsey said we need to make it more difficult to put boats in the water. Currently, neighbors call the police. We can put more boulders in.

Conservation Commission would like to have a launch on Veasey side. The Selectmen didn't like the plan so there is no support from BOS. CPA grant was for permitting.

Dempsey said we have to work on this.

Meninger asked if we can separate the two plans.

Grills

Do we want to reconsider the grills?

If yes, hold public meeting to collect input. Take a vote. Yes or No based on input.

Replace grills-We need to file permit and remedy any conditions.

(Action Taken:)

Grim moved to motion. Schaefer second the motion.

Discussion:

Gebauer is supporting this and should be reconsidered.

Keene said we have only 3 sentences from the Fire Chief and they are not good enough.

According to Chapter 40 of the MGL you are not allowed to restrict public access by taking out grills and having fires.

Dempsey said to reconsider their vote.

Voted: (3-2-1). Keene abstained.

Keene would like a written signed letter and to speak to Bob Lay.

Con. Com would like Bob Lay to come to the meeting to speak with the commissioners.

Removal of 1 table and replace with a bench. (Motion to table)

Conservation restrictions on Angelini and Maddenly Property.

(BOS have many questions on this subject matter.) A.C.R. has to be placed on these parcels. This is on the agenda for BOS for May 16.

194 Main St. Update

Dempsey contacted the owner and the site is stable. Hay bales have been placed around the perimeter and around piles of dirt. The engineering company said they are requesting for a waiver of the bylaw.

Enforcement Issues

2 Ashcroft Circle- a new shed is being placed within 25-50 ft. of the wetlands. The owner was very responsive.

Gravel Removal

Gravel removal on Maddenly property is up for renewal. The BOS is meeting on this on June 13. The Water Dept. wants to meet. There are issues which need to be dealt with on June 6 at 4:30 p.m. Schaefer will attend this meeting. He will do a site visit with Dempsey prior to the meeting.

Hiring an Agent

Dempsey wrote up a part-time conservation agent description for 10-15 hours/week.

Minutes

Grim moved to approve the minutes with minor corrections. Meninger second the motion. **Voted:** (5-0-1). Grim abstained.

800 Salem Street.

Dempsey will email Grim the information and he will follow-up/

Grim moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Meninger seconds the motion. (Voted: 6-0).

Approved: May Date: 6-15-16