

**MINUTES OF THE
HALIFAX CONSERVATION COMMISSION
August 14, 2018**

A meeting of the Halifax Conservation Commission was held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, in the Conservation Commission office. Chairperson Gerry Fitzgerald opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

In Attendance: Gerry Fitzgerald, Chairperson; Kathy Evans, Vice Chairperson; Chris Hadorn, Clerk; Ed Lane, Member.

Hearings and Discussions:

Open 7:00 – NOI – River St. Lot 1B

Evan Watson from Prime Engineering was present representing River St. LLC. Existing conditions plans were submitted. Wetland Resource area to the north, a ditch in the middle and an ILSF more to the south. They have approval from National Heritage already. There is a new wetland crossing and an existing crossing proposed. Crushed stone/gravel access road. Equipment pad, the wires go underground to an electric fence. Fence will be 6” off the ground. They do have some work in the flood zone. In some areas, in order to maximize the site they would like to get a little closer than the 50’ BVW. This is the end of the smart program so this will be the last solar program they will be doing for a little bit. DEP and the Army Corp of Engineers require a box culvert. On the side will be the wing walls. They will be impacting 1620 sq. ft. and will be replicating 2500 sq. ft. They will be planting with a meadow mix. No soil will be taken off of the site. At the existing crossing they would like to add a culvert as there currently is not a culvert there now.

A motion was made to approve two fence crossing wetland, grant a 40’ variance to the 50’ No touch bylaw and the road crossing the wetland.

Motion: Chris Hadorn

Second: Ed Lane

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Open 7:10 – General Discussion – 399 Elm St.

Mr. Tom Ghilardi was present to discuss the construction of a shed on his property. It is out of the 50’ BVW and 12” off the property line. He will be using sonar tubes. The size of the shed will be 280 sq. ft. Kendra will send a message to the Building Inspector that it is ok with the Conservation Commission.

Motion to approve the shed at 399 Elm St. according to the drawings submitted.

Motion: Chris Hadorn

Second: Ed Lane

AIF

Open 7:15 – General Discussion – 25 White Island Rd.

Ms. Linda King was here to talk about the stairs and the dock that they lead down to. She states that they need to be replaced. It is an existing dock so she would need to see the Harbormaster. The stairs are a safety hazard right now. She needs to get some estimates with details about how they are going to be repaired, then come back to the Commission and file an NOI.

Open 7:20 – COC – 22 Orchard Circle

The construction of the home was completed about 20 years ago and they never received a COC.

Motion to approve the COC at 22 Orchard Circle.

Motion: Kathy Evans

Second: Ed Lane

AIF

Open 7:25 – Amended OOC – 5 Thompson St.

Mr. Joe McCarthy was here to talk about amending the plans to construct his new home. He would like to add a detached garage at some point. It is close to the BVW, but as long as he doesn't go any further back he will be fine. He has to stay out of the 50' buffer zone.

Motion to amend the plans at 16 Thompson St. to include a detached garage.

Motion: Chris Hadorn

Second: Ed Lane

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Motion: Kathy Evans

Second: Ed Lane

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Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from 4/3/18, 5/22/18, 6/12/18 and 7/10/18

Motion: Kathy Evans

Second: Ed Lane

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All members present signed the Signature Authority form.

Mail:

The mail folder was reviewed by the Commission.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm

Motion: Ed Lane
Second: Kathy Evans
AIF

Respectfully submitted,

Kendra Kelly
Secretary