MINUTES OF THE HALIFAX CONSERVATION COMMISSION April 19, 2016

A meeting of the Halifax Conservation Commission was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016, in the Conservation Commission office. Chairperson Tina Tonello opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

In Attendance: Tina Tonello, Chairperson; April Letourneau, Clerk; Kathy Evans, Member.

Hearings and Discussions:

Open 7:00 – COC- 6 Heron Rd.

Tina Tonello made a site visit and is recommending a Certificate of Compliance be granted.

Motion to grant a Certificate of Compliance

Motion: April Letourneau Second: Kathy Evans

AIF

7:10 – NOI – 31 Pratt St.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorr, owners of the property were present along with Al Vautrinot to discuss the construction of a single family home on the property. The BOH wanted the driveway moved and narrowed as the fill was partially on the driveway. Plans are still pending BOH approval. House is 50' from the street and is as far back from the wetlands as possible. The house is within the 50' buffer zone but Al feels that the lot was created before the bylaw was. The well is 2' away from the wetland as the septic system on their property and the neighbor's property keeps them from putting it anywhere else. Neighbor Ellen Ingmanson expressed concern with the increase of silt in her well as a result of the trees that have been removed. Al Vautrinot replied that there should be no effect on her well from the work that they are doing. She also asked why they would be allowed to build within the 50' buffer zone. Preexisting, non-conforming lot was explained.

Motion to approve the NOI with a Standard Order of Conditions pending BOH approval.

Motion: April Letourneau Second: Kathy Evans

AIF

7:20 – NOI – 95 Palmer Mill Rd.

Steve Hassett and Chris Mulrey from Morse Engineering were here to discuss the upgrade of the septic system on the property. The house currently has a cesspool that is

65' from the wetlands. The new system will be 70' from the wetlands at the nearest point and the leaching field will be 73' from the wetlands at its nearest point.

Motion to approve the NOI with a Standard Order of Conditions pending BOH approval.

Motion: April Letourneau Second: Kathy Evans

AIF

7:30 - NOI - 23 Richview Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Back, owners of the property, were present to discuss the work they would like to complete on the property. The Back's started to do some work on the home and found some rot and termites. They are rebuilding the home on the current footprint, siding, roofing along with an 8x10 porch and removal of 3 dead trees. Suggest using a silt sock or fence, not hay bales. Make sure it is trenched on the bottom so it is secure. They have been through Zoning already.

Motion to approve the NOI with a Standard Order of Conditions

Motion: April Letourneau Second: Kathy Evans

AIF

7:40 - COC - 65 Princeton St.

Tina Tonello went out to view the property and recommends it for a Certificate of Compliance.

Motion to grant a Certificate of Compliance.

Motion: Kathy Evans Second: April Letourneau

AIF

Bills:

Express Newspapers - \$120.00

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Secretarial:

Associate Member: We need to be able to get quorum. We need to use our Associate Member and not lose him. Everyone needs to be able to commit or we need to look at asking members to step aside.

Mail:
The mail folder was reviewed by the Commission.

Bills:

Plympton Halifax Express - \$120.00

Motion: April Letourneau Second: Kathy Evans

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Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Motion: April Letourneau Second: Kathy Evans

AIF

Respectfully submitted,

Kendra Kelly Secretary