

FINAL

MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MAY 20, 2009

Members Present: Norman A. Hills, Chairman
Jeffrey W. Oakes, Vice Chairman
Sherman E. Briggs, Jr. (absent from 7:00-7:06 PM)
Joel D. Hartley

Members Absent: Lawrence B. Dorman
Wendy L. Carreau, Associate
Horace S. Kenney, Jr., Associate

Secretary: Diane R. Drake

Others Present: No one

Meeting convened at 7:00 PM Wednesday, May 20, 2009 in the main conference room of the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, Massachusetts. Site inspections were held on Saturday, May 16, 2009 by N. Hills. No public hearings are scheduled for this meeting.

7:00 PM **COOLMAR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** – a two-year extension permit to relocate a barn from 604D to 596 Point Road, construct a driveway, a porch, a walkway and do clearing/vista pruning has been requested (SE 041-1042). N. Hills said all the brush has been removed outside the 15' no-touch boundary, rocks have been placed in lieu of the hay bale line resulting in siltation leaking through the barrier, and the walkway along the side of the house has been cleared and filled. N. Hills said the amended order of conditions for vista pruning prohibits removal of underbrush. N. Hills said the hay bales need to be repositioned and the siltation cleaned up. J. Oakes said eight shrubs are to be planted as required in Appendix B, and the understory should be allowed to revegetate. A letter will be written to Mr. Coolidge regarding the above items, requesting photographs of the vista area before and after the clearing, and asking him to let the Commission know when the requested work has been done so that another site inspection can be scheduled. Copies of the letter will be sent to the engineer for this project, G.A.F. Engineering, and architect, Robert Luchetti. It was agreed that the sump pump discharge area drain is better than when it discharged directly into the wetlands. J. Oakes moved to issue a one-year extension permit; J. Hartley seconded; voted by majority with S. Briggs abstaining.

ANNMARIE LEVINS AND LINDA SEVERIN - request for a three-year extension permit to their order of conditions (SE 041-911) to add beach sand above the mean high water line at 53 Dexter Road, Dexter Beach, was discussed. N. Hills said there is already plenty of sand there; J. Oakes said that's because there haven't been any major storms removing it, and this permit is just to keep the order active for when sand does need to be added. N. Hills moved to issue a three-year

extension permit to add more sand, on an as-needed basis, above the mean high water line; J. Oakes seconded; voted unanimously.

SCOTT V. ROBERTSON, JR. – Mrs. Robertson's request for a full certificate of compliance for constructing a dwelling, a septic system, a paved driveway, boulder retaining walls, filling and grading at 1 Deer Run was discussed (SE 041-1032). A follow-up site inspection was done by N. Hills at which time Mrs. Robertson showed him the newly-planted bushes (tiny rhododendrons) and where the grass clippings had previously been piled. J. Oakes moved to issue a full certificate of compliance; J. Hartley seconded; voted unanimously.

BLAKE WILSON – regarding past land clearing at 23 Parlowtown Road, in the buffer zone to wetlands on a neighbor's lot, it was agreed to add this site to the inspections on May 30, 2009, and discuss this at the Commission's June 3, 2009 meeting.

BAY WATCH REALTY TRUST – Sabatia, Inc. has submitted invoices in the amount of \$1,775.00 for verifying the wetland lines at Front Street, and also \$1,080.00 for determining whether the three potential vernal pools on the site can be certified. It was agreed that Pool #1 can definitely be certified. J. Oakes and W. Carreau would also like Pool #2 to be submitted for certification. Immature chain pickerel were seen swimming in Pool #3 which is nearest to S. Briggs' cranberry bog reservoir on the abutting lot. N. Hills said Robert Gray agreed to prepare and submit the vernal pool certification forms to Natural Heritage for Pools 1 and 2 at a cost not to exceed \$650.00. On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to have N. Hills instruct R. Gray to proceed with this work which will be paid for from the Commission's budget. J. Oakes moved to approve payment of Sabatia's \$1,775.00 and \$1,080.00 invoices from the Bay Watch Realty Trust consultant account, and have the Town Accountant reimburse Bay Watch for their overpayment of approximately \$365.00 for Sabatia's services; J. Hartley seconded; voted by majority. S. Briggs abstained from the discussions and votes.

N. Hills said he received an email from Bruce Hebbel regarding float work taking place at the Wing's Cove boat ramp parking lot, and was concerned that there were no measures taken to control runoff of paint chips, etc. into the marsh and Cove. N. Hills said he would inspect the site.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Diane R. Drake, Secretary

Approved June 17, 2009