

**CITY OF MARLBOROUGH  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

February 17, 2005  
Memorial Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, City Hall

Members Present: Edward Clancy-Chairman, David Williams, Allan White, Lawrence Roy, John Skarin, Dennis Demers, and Priscilla Ryder-Conservation Officer

Absent: Donald Rider, Jr

**Minutes** - The minutes of February 3, 2005 were approved and accepted as written.

**DISCUSSION - 7:00 P.M.**

- White Oak Estates definitive subdivision plan – The Commission reviewed this plan and determined that the only comments to the Planning Board are that there are wetlands to the rear of this property therefore, the applicant will need to file for a wetlands permit with the Conservation Commission

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

Request for Determination of Applicability  
CSX Transportation

At the applicants request this item was continued to the March 3, 2005 meeting.

Request for Determination of Applicability  
679 Stevens St. - Lisa Colleton

Lisa Colleton was present and explained that she is proposing to enclose the exiting porch with a year round finished room. She provided the Commission with an estimate from the contractor which explained the sequence of construction which Ed Clancy read into the record including the installation of a new foundation. There is a drain pipe from the existing stream which she estimates is at least 15' away from the foundation. The Commission determined that the work would not impact the wetland and closed the hearing. The Commission voted 6-0 to issue a negative determination with conditions that the drain pipe be located and staked prior to construction to avoid any damage to the drain pipe. Erosion controls shall be installed as necessary.

Notice of Intent - (DEP 212-952) Continuation of Public Hearing  
80 Farm Rd. (Davis Estates) – Robert Valchuis

Attorney Aldo Cipriano and Brandt Wajda of Gurriere & Halnon were in attendance representing Mr. Valchuis, who couldn't attend. Brandt Wajda provided a letter and a new plan dated Feb. 16, 2005. The plan included details on the wetland replication area, the coffer dam detail and a detail on the Blue Bute pipe to be used to replace the pipe with the valve under the proposed

roadway. The Commission reviewed these changes. The Commission also reviewed the wetland replication area plan and grading which appeared satisfactory. The coffer dam detail was a new design the Commission had not seen, but appears to be a good design as it has less disturbance in it's installation. The Commission asked for more information on where this has been used, since Mr. Wajda had not used it in the past. Dennis Demers indicated that they would need to use a ductile iron pipe instead of the Blue Bute pipe as proposed to meet the DPW standards. The notes on the plan also provided a detail on the installation methods for the pipe replacement under the proposed roadway. The Wajda amended the sequencing plan to include an additional step to require that the detention basin and the first few feet of the roadway be constructed first. The City's engineering department has yet to comment on these new plans, therefore the Commission, with the applicants consent agreed to continue the hearing until March 3 to get feed back from the Engineering dept. Brandt Wajda was hopeful this would be completed before March 3<sup>rd</sup> as the Planning Board will be reviewing these changes on Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **CERTIFICATE(S) OF COMPLIANCE**

- DEP 212-301 135 Stow Rd. (Lot 1) Country Club Estates – This lot was not part of the subdivision, but the Order of Conditions was recorded on it. The Commission approved 6-0 the issuance of a partial Certificate of Compliance to clear this title.
- DEP 212-258 & 212-301 Country Club Estates- The Commission is still awaiting final approval from the City Engineer as to the adequacy of the detention basin.
- DEP 212-589 Blake Circle (Dennis Demers abstained due to a conflict of interest) – This subdivision was never built, but the order is still attached to two ANR lots just constructed. The new owners seek release of this Order of Conditions which has expired. The Commission voted 5-0 to issue a Certificate of Compliance noting that the project never commenced.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was reviewed and the Commission voted unanimously to accept it and place it on file.

- E-mail from Brady Otey dated Feb. 10, 2005 RE: 170 Locke Dr. Snow issue
- Drainage Report Review Comments regarding Davis Estates from James Arsenault dated Feb. 9, 2005
- Central Mass. Mosquito Control Project - Annual Report 2004

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Snow Policy - The Commission discussed the snow dumping issue at 170 Locke Dr. and asked Ms. Ryder to provide a copy of the DEP Snow Disposal Guidance document for the next meeting. The Commission would like to review this in light

of the snow dumping problem and see if there is any stricter policy or procedure that should be considered for the city. This will be reviewed at the next meeting.

- DEP 212-946 34 Mosher Ln. - The Commission received notice from DEP affirming the denial issued for this project. The applicant is now required to refile with the Commission

#### **MEETINGS**

- Next Conservation Commission meetings - March 3<sup>rd</sup> & March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2005 (Thursdays)
- MACC Annual Environmental Conference - March 5, 2005

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Ryder  
Conservation Officer