



Minutes

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

Mr. Weiss, Chair, called the Tuesday, October 8, 2013, meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:30 PM in Room 14 of the North Reading Town Hall, 235 North Street, North Reading, MA.

Members Present: Marty Weiss, Chairman
Tom Romeo, Member
Tim Allen, Member
Lori Mitchener, Vice Chair

Absent: Jonathan Cody, Member

Staff Present: Leah Basbanes, Agent
Kathy Morgan, Admin. Asst.

Discussion/ Correspondence File/Minutes

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Mr. Allen moved, seconded by Ms. Mitchener, and voted 4-0;

that the Conservation Commission approve the minutes of September 17, 2013.

Certificate of Compliance

8 Janice Ave. (245-1117)

Ms. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, and voted 4-0;



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that the Conservation Commission issue a Certificate of Compliance for work satisfactorily completed.

33 Lakeside Blvd. (Enforcement Order)

Ms. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, and voted 4-0;

that the Conservation Commission issue a Certificate of Compliance for work satisfactorily completed.

Public Hearings

39 Strawberry Lane (245-1460) - addition

Mr. Roy, from LJR Engineering, was present for the applicant. Mr. Roy explained that wetlands are located to the rear and to the south of the existing house. The deck is to be removed and replaced with an addition and a garage under. Extra paving will be going within 25' of the wetlands. With the new deck and paving, the impervious percent will be 14.4%.

Ms. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, and voted 4-0;

that the Conservation Commission close the Public Hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with the standard 43 conditions plus on additional one that the 12' no disturb be permanently marked and approved by the Conservation Agent.

295 Elm Street (245-1459) – septic system

Mr. Roy, from LJR Engineering, was present for the applicant. The site is a 3 acre parcel with wetlands to both the right and left side of the driveway. Almost the entire site falls within the 100' buffer. The project is replacing the septic system. Mr. Roy explained that they plan to keep the existing tank and replace the leachfield, a 23' x 40' stone and pipe system. The new field will be located 59' from the wetlands.

Ms. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Romeo, and voted 4-0;

that the Conservation Commission close the Public Hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with the standard 43 conditions.



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34 Haverhill Street (245-xxxx)- raze & rebuild

Chris Sparages, from Williams & Sparages, was present for the applicant. This lot is located on the corner of Haverhill St. & Mentus Farm. The applicant plans to raze the existing house and replace the septic system in the front of the new house. Wetlands are located behind the house and travel towards Haverhill St. along the right side of the house. The swale along the right of the house takes in road runoff and overflows into an adjacent drain. There will be 13.9% percentage and 48% buffer disturbance when the project is done.

Ms. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, and voted 4-0;

that the Conservation Commission close the Public Hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with the standard 43 conditions plus a condition that permanent markers be placed along the 12' no disturb zone and the isolated wetland "series C", but hold for Board of Health approval and DEP file number.

31 Nutter Road (245-xxxx) – single family house

Chris Sparages, from Williams & Sparages, was present for the applicant. The site is 84,000 s.f. parcel and currently has a house and two barns on it. The driveway comes off Nutter Road. Mr. Sparages advised members that a definitive plan has been submitted to CPC to divide the lot for another single family house. The wetlands, delineated by Norris Environmental, are located to the back of the proposed house on Lot 1. The new house will be entirely within the 100' buffer. The proposed house footprint is 70' x 35' and the grading will go within the 12' no disturb buffer. Mr. Sparages said that the ground water is high. With the new work, the impervious percentage will be 19.9% with 74.6% buffer disturbance. The existing drainage goes from the front of the property to the back and the applicant proposes to keep it that way.

An abutter requested that the turnaround be faced to the left so headlights don't go into his house. Another abutter asked why the access is called a road and not a driveway. Mr. Sparages said they didn't have enough frontage.

Mr. Allen suggested, because the grading is coming as close as 12' to the wetlands that permanent markers be placed at the 12' no disturb.

Ms. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and voted 4-0;



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that the Conservation Commission continue the Public Hearing to November 12, 2013.

Adjourn

Ms. Mitchener moved seconded by Mr. Romeo, and voted 4-0;

that the Conservation Commission adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM

Approved _____ dated _____