

SUTTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

August 19, 2009

MINUTES

Approved: _____

Present: Mark Briggs, Chair, Joyce Smith, Co-Chair, Alyse Aubin, Daniel Rice, Jack Sheehan,
Staff: Wanda M. Bien, Secretary
Brandon Faneuf, Consultant

Wetland Concern

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time

CONTINUATIONS

13 Davis Circle

No DEP# RDA

The continuation was opened at 7:10pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of existing house to be replaced with a new house. House is located 190 feet from Lake Singletary.

Present: Robert Murphy, Murphy and Associates, Inc., for Bonni Westerback, owner

R. Murphy explained the revised site plans. They have Board of Health approval for the new system. The proposed retaining wall was taken out to reduce the drainage impact on Davis Circle. This accepted system is 75' away from the well, not 100'. Three rain barrels will drain toward the rain gardens and grass swales to reduce drainage from the site.

M. Briggs wanted to know how many trees would come out.

R. Murphy replied that there is one pine tree (which is outside of the 200' buffer zone) by the driveway. They will be planting other trees. The trees within the 200' buffer are to remain. There are berms in the road for drainage so it doesn't pool in the roadway.

M. Briggs feels the rain gardens would be able to handle the volume of water. He would like to see swales or berms to protect the neighbors. They need more retention at the bottom of the grass slope.

R. Murphy said they are decreasing the flow onto the road by using the rain gardens. He explained how these rain gardens would work.

B. Faneuf summarized his information on the revised plans that he was seeing for the first time at this meeting. He stated that he needs the plans a few days or a week before the meeting in order to review them properly. A third copy should be available for concerned abutters to view.

R. Murphy replied they will choose a list of native plants from the DEP guidelines and check availability of the plants at the time of the planting. He referred to the list of plants handout he gave to the Board. He stated the swale is an existing swale and was not created. He then explained how the rain barrels are hooked up and the porous driveway materials.

See attached handout # 1 Native Species information.

Abutter:

David Hold, 14 Davis Circle, is concerned with the driveway and the potential impact on Davis Circle itself.

M. Briggs said the Commission needed time to review the revised plans. However, there are still issues with the details that are not on the plans.

R. Murphy requested a continuation on behalf of the applicant.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to September 2, 2009, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

6 Waters Road

DEP#303-0684

The continuation was opened at 7:45pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of installing a new septic system and addition to the existing dwelling.

Present: JoAnn Teachout, Purcell Assoc. Inc., Mike & Carol Gagner, owner

J. Teachout reviewed the site visit information about the swale on the side of the driveway and the three trees to be removed in the area of the new septic system, which are now on the revised plans. The plans show the area where Mr. Gagner parks his truck. She stated they have the approval from the Planning Board for the scenic roadway removal of a section of the stone wall, but they will not abandon the other driveway opening.

M. Briggs stated there are no gutters on the existing house. The Board would look at this when the end is near and they are ready to request the Certificate of Compliance. Gutters may be needed but that determination will be at made at a later date.

B. Faneuf summarized the new revised plans, stating that the limit of work on the east side should extend to the property line. There needs to be a limit of work on the west side and protection measures for the gravel driveway which is near the BVW and a potential vernal pool.

The Board will do a site visit on Friday August 21, 2009 at 3:30pm.

Motion: To close the Public Hearing, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

Motion: To issue an Order of Conditions, subject to the applicant providing plans accordingly to the septic system BOH consultant and approved plans, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

3.5 Sunrise Drive

DEP#303-0680

The continuation was opened at 8:10pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The purpose of this hearing is to review a Notice of Intent submitted to the Conservation Commission by Linda Erickson, M.D. Realty Trust, Lincoln, NH. The project consists of repairs to the existing retaining wall at Ramshorn Pond, and repairs to existing house and septic system outside the 100' buffer zone.

Present: Norman Hill, Land Planning, for Robert Murphy, Murphy Associates, Mr. & Mrs. Erickson, owners, Steve Cammoli, their contractor.

S. Cammoli explained how the sprinkler system would work and about the two rows of haybales. He said the sod would be delivered on Thursday by Dauphinais and the two levels from the water line up would be installed below the house foundation.

Joyce Smith and Dan Rice visited the site on Aug. 6 and took pictures of the extensive erosion that had occurred. There were minimal erosion controls and things that were promised at the July meeting were not done. An order to stop construction until the site was stabilized was not followed. Permission was granted to tear down the camp but not to do a new foundation. The plans approved in April were not followed and major changes were made without notifying the commission. The new plans were not approved, nor were the planting plans. Construction of the new foundation was done. Further construction was stopped until the site was stabilized with sod and plantings.

B. Faneuf summarized his site visit information he did just before this meeting tonight.

J. Sheehan said after it rains, they need to assess the site and notify the Commission. They need to keep a log of sedimentation and erosion controls information, and do no construction until the sod is down and stabilized.

The Board will do a site visit on Friday August 21st at 3:30pm.

Anyone interested in purchasing the DVD for any public hearing at this meeting, please contact Pam Nichol's in the Cable office or you can view the minutes at www.suttonma.org.

BOARD BUSINESS

The Board did not sign the Certificate of Compliance for Pond View Drive Well Pump Station, due to issues with the culvert at the Pond View Drive entrance. The Water District will be asked to attend the next meeting.

The Board signed an Extended an Order of Conditions for 61 Stone School Road, Francis Venincasa.

The Board will do a site visit for a Certificate of Compliance.

Minutes

The Board didn't vote on the minutes of August 5, 2009 due to the minutes not being sent to the Board in time for voting at tonight's meeting.

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Motion: To adjourn, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

Adjourned at 9:30pm.