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**Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday February 6, 2017
Board of Selectman's Room, Uxbridge Town Hall**

Please note some items may have been taken out of agenda order.

Present: Chair Jim Hogan, Vice Chair Andrew Gorman, Treasurer Jeff Shaw, Clerk Lauren Steele, Members Dale Bangma, Russel Holden, Pat Hannon and Conservation Agent Melissa Dillon

It being 6:30 pm, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the Chair called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Notice of Intent (NOI), 629 Hartford Ave East** (Map 8, Parcel 3533)
Applicant: David Craig Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc.
Project Description: Construction of a single family home with associated earthwork, utility, and landscaping within the Riverfront Area.

MOTION I: Mr Shaw moved to pass over NOI, 629 Hartford Ave E., until later in the meeting because the applicant is not yet in attendance. Mr. Gorman seconded and the motion passed 7-0-0.

2. **Notice of Intent (NOI), 434 Sutton Street** (Map 4, Parcel 2976)
Applicant: James Tetreau, JLT Development, LLC Representative: Guerriere & Halnon, Inc.
Project Description: Proposed 12 lot single-family residential conservation subdivision with associated site work within the Buffer Zone of a BVW.

Discussion: The applicant requested to continue as they await comments from DPW and approval from the Planning Board.

MOTION: Mr. Gorman moved to continue NOI for 434 Sutton St. to the next regularly scheduled Conservation Commission meeting. Mr. Shaw seconded and motion passed 7-0-0.

3. **Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD), DEP #312-1028**, Crownshield Avenue, Hyde Park Circle, Tea Party Drive (Map 29, Parcels 3126, 3117, 3053, 3084, 2965, 3866, 3099, 3987, 3895, 3825, 4682, 3162, 696, 4693, 4745, 4858, 4829, 4884)
Applicant: Rick Terrill, Uxbridge Multi Family Representative: Goddard Consulting LLC
Project Description: Request to verify the wetland delineations are correct at the listed parcels.

Discussion: The applicant requested a continuance to the next meeting while they work on revisions. The funds have been received for the peer reviewer to complete their assessment.

MOTION: Mr. Holden moved to continue ANRAD, DEP #312-1028 to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission. Mr. Shaw seconded and the motion passed 7-0-0.

WETLAND UPDATES/ISSUES

1. Certificate of Compliance – Hecla Village, DEP #312-964
 - The buffer zone signs are visibly placed on trees on the required lots and there is obvious vegetation and stabilization on slopes of the retention pond. Condition 42 is ongoing and 3 house lots will have plaques marking the 100' buffer zone.

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- **MOTION: Mr. Gorman moved to approve the Certificate of Compliance for DEP #312-964 with the condition that Special Condition 42 be maintained in perpetuity. Mr. Shaw seconded and the motion passed 5-0-2 (Mr. Holden and Mr. Hannon abstained).**

2. Permit Extension Request – Mountainview Lot 4, DEP#312-887

- Mark Arnold with Goddard Consulting explained the purpose of the permit extension. The current permit expires this June. There was some discussion to postpone the vote to extend the permit until the meeting to give members a chance to view the site.

MOTION: Mr. Gorman moved to continue the request for the permit extension to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed 7-0-0.

Discussion: Mr. Hannon recommended scheduling site visit and the Commission agreed on 2/10/17.

REPORTED/ONGOING VIOLATIONS

Please note: Mr. Hannon recused himself from the meeting.

1. 32 Highview Drive

- **Discussion:** Anonymous complaint was received for un-permitted work completed within a buffer zone. This complaint was identical to a previous complaint. The Commission previously determined any work completed was outside the buffer zone, non-jurisdictional and not in violation. Mr. Shaw expressed concern that the nature of the complaint was personal and meant to harass the home owner.

2. 183/177 River Road

Discussion: Lance Anderson of Heritage Design, on behalf of owner/occupant, responded to comments made during the 1/18/17 Conservation Commission meeting and the Enforcement Order for the above properties. In regards to the fuel truck; the property has a permit from the UFD for 4k gallon capacity tank, it is kept outside from 7-5 and in a locked garage at night or when no one is on site, and there is no fueling in the Riverfront Area. In response to the Forklift; Mr. Anderson described the conditions of River Rd. and did not believe the rubber tires of this forklift altered road or the riverfront. Ms. Linda Fournier, occupant, & Mr. Scott Vargus, owner, expressed frustrations and concerns over the condition of River Rd., how they were portrayed, and clarified their use of the site and the needs of their employees and customers.

Commission members agreed to send any Enforcement Order related to the road to the DPW first since it is a public road. They also recommended the owner not regrade the road as they may be held responsible if any problems occur. Everyone agrees River Rd. should have a regular maintenance through the DPW and Mr. Hogan and Mr. Gorman will meet with Mr. Ben Sherman and follow up with the owners.

MOTION: Mr. Gorman moved to lift Enforcement Order for 183/177 River Road. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed 6-0-0.

MOTION: Mr. Gorman moved to take the agenda out of order and return to the first Public Hearing for a NOI for 629 Hartford Ave. East. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed. 6-0-0

4. Notice of Intent (NOI), 629 Hartford Ave East (Map 8, Parcel 3533)

Applicant: David Craig

Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc.

Project Description: Construction of a single family home with associated earthwork, utility, and landscaping within the Riverfront Area.

Discussion: Paul Hutnak, on behalf of the applicant, described the property and the project plans. Mr. Hutnak indicated an ANR was signed that created a 2nd lot (not yet developed). They are awaiting a DEP # & DEP requested an alternatives analysis, which Mr. Hutnak will provide. The plan is correct but the NOI needs to be revised. Conservation members planned a site visit for Sat 2/10/17 at 10:00am.

MOTION II: Mr. Gorman moved to continue NOI (no number), for further information, to the next regularly scheduled Conservation Commission meeting. Mr. Shaw seconded and the motion passed 6-0-0.

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3. Crownshield (Hyde Park)

- No update from Mark Arnold about what he found after the last meeting with status of the silt fence. Abutters told Ms. Dillon that the contractors moved the fence (closer to the resource area). Ms. Dillon will continue to work with Mr. Arnold.

4. 142 South Street

- No current updates.

5. 9 Balm of Life Spring Road

- The most recent owner address provided by PD was returned undeliverable. Mr. Hogan to follow up to determine whether a constable can deliver. Mr. Gorman noted he hadn't seen any new changes to the site.

6. New Item - N. Main Street

- A Rental Agency Sign is falling into the Cold Spring Brook at the Old Valley Plumbing and Heating Building across from Helen's. Mr. Hogan advised the owner.

PROCESSING

1. Meeting Minutes Review

MOTION: Mr. Gorman moved to approve the minutes with minor typographical corrections. Mr. Bangma seconded and the motion passed 5-0-1.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1. Approval of Wetlands Funds for Agent Salary

- There was a discussion of the Commission's budget for FY17 & 18 and a few questions arose regarding sustainability of salaries. They decided to postpone voting until the next meeting to review additional Commission spending and income information.

2. Conservation Pamphlet

- Members reviewed an informational brochure the Commission developed and sent out approximately 2 years ago. Suggestions include adding information on drought watering, maximizing water usage and snow removal/stockpiling. Members will send any additional comments to Ms. Dillon to update and finalize.

3. Conservation Restrictions

- There was a discussion with the Agent regarding the compiling a complete inventory of properties as well as scheduling annual walks and maintenance. Pout Pond/Henry Legg and BJ's were two specific sites mentioned. Members agreed the end of April is a good time to visit the properties.


MOTION: Mr. Holden moved to adjourn the Conservation Commission meeting of February 6, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 6-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT—NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21ST, 2017

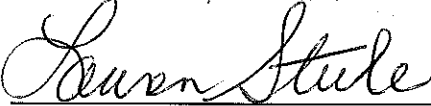
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Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Shelley

Jim Hogan, Chairman



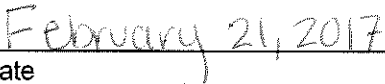
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