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Conservation Commission - Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 19, 2017, Dedham Town Hall- O’Brien Meeting Room

Members Present: Fred Civian (Chairman), Laura Bugay, Joseph Smith and Stephanie Radner.

Members Absent: Joseph (Matt) Hickey, Andrew Tittler and Michael Williams

Mr. Civian called the meeting order at 7:00 PM.

267 Providence Highway (Mother Brook Diversion Structure)-

Mr. Civian made a motion to continue 267 Providence Highway until November 2nd, seconded by Ms. Bugay, UA.

910 - 928 Providence Highway (MSMP 2017-12).

Mr. Civian made a motion to continue 910-928 Providence Highway until November 2nd, seconded by Ms. Bugay, UA.

**7:05 PM**: Nobles and Greenough School – Paul Avery, Oak Consulting Group – Rep- *Request for Minor Modification for revised path layout (SWP 2016-09)*

Paul Avery was present. He explained the request to add pedestrian footpaths. Additional square footage is approximately 2000 square feet, but there is already sufficient storage for the additional runoff.

Agent Brown recommended that the Commission approve the minor modification request, and she will issue a letter confirming this to the applicant.

Mr. Civian made a motion to approve the Minor Modification as recommended by Agent Brown, seconded by Mr. Smith, UA.

**7:10 PM**: 105 Rustcraft Road, Fadi Fares, Applicant – Paul Lindholm, Rep.*– Notice of Intent for a 1,990 sf addition to an existing home in Buffer Zone and Riverfront Area (DEP File # 141-0526, MSMP 2017-20).*

Homeowner Sandy Fares was present.

Agent Brown recommended that an Order of Conditions be issued, and confirmed that the draft Order of Conditions with special conditions was reviewed by Paul Lindholm.

Mr. Civian made a motion to close the public hearing for 105 Rustcraft Road, seconded by Ms. Bugay, UA.

Mr. Civian made a motion to issue an Order of Conditions for 105 Rustcraft Road as recommended by Agent Brown, seconded by Ms. Bugay, UA.

38 Icehouse Lane, Giorgio Petruzziello, Supreme Development, Inc. –Matt Smith, Norwood Engineering, Rep –*Notice of Intent for a new SFD in Riverfront and UBA (DEP #141-0510).*

AND

13 Powers Street, Giorgio Petruzziello, Supreme Development, Inc. – Matt Smith, Norwood Engineering – Rep*- Notice of Intent for a new SFD in Riverfront and UBA (DEP #141-0511, MSMP 2017-13).*

Mr. Civian explained that the applicant requested that both of these items be continued, with short notice, so he informed the applicant that they would be opening the hearing for purposes of hearing the public.

Mr. Civian explained that the applicant wants the decision of single versus multiple lots to be decided first. There are multiple barriers from Mr. Civian’s perspective, some of which are performance standards and won’t allow project to move forward. For example, if the Commission finds that they cannot build within the UBA, that would be a barrier.

Paul Lombardi, an abutter, confirmed with Mr. Civian that the applicant still wants a chance to make a pitch to Commission.

Agent Brown confirmed that they now have a letter from property owner allowing the application for his property.

Mr. Lombardi reminded the Commission that he had shared information with the office that he would like the Commission to review prior to making a decision. Agent Brown confirmed this was provided to the Commissioners via Dropbox.

Mr. Civian explained that once the applicant confirms they have provided all of the information they would like to, the Commission will vote to close the public hearing which will be followed by their deliberation. The applicant nor the public will be able to comment during deliberations.

Mr. Civian confirmed that the Commission is proceeding on an amended application for 13 Powers Street. 38 Icehouse Lane is on hold until the applicant gets a decision on Powers Street.

Mr. Lombardi expressed concerns with the 38 Icehouse Lane application remaining open and available after all of this time.

Mr. Civian made a motion to continue both 13 Powers Street and 38 Icehouse Lane until November 2nd, seconded by Ms. Bugay, UA.

**7:40 PM:** 124 Country Club Road, Dedham Country and Polo Club, Applicant – Mike Toohill, BSC Group, Rep **–** *Notice of Intent for dredging of the irrigation pond (8th hole). (DEP File #141-TBD).*

Mike Toohill was present from BSC Group along with representatives from the club. He provided plans showing cross-sections to the Commission to supplement the plans they were already given.

Mr. Toohill explained that the pond is the primary irrigation source for the golf course. There is no control structure in the pond. Mr. Toohill described the proposed dredging process and explained that the plan is to excavate/dredge the pond in the wet. Mr. Toohill explained that they thought this would also be a good opportunity to enlarge the pond and he showed the area that is proposed to be cut from land describing how a deck will be placed over this portion for continued golf cart travel. Mr. Toohill explained that the existing pond storage capacity will be doubled. The cut volume is just over 49,000 square feet. They will be hydraulically removing soft and hard sediment as much as possible.

Mr. Toohill learned that some information was missing from the packets they were given and he will plan to deliver this information to the Commission.

Mr. Smith confirmed with Ryan Kenny that the pond was originally dug in 1910.

Ms. Bugay asked how the filter bags will be set up. Mr. Toohill explained that hay bales and silt fence will be placed around it.

Agent Brown confirmed with Mr. Toohill that they will need to come back at some point for a new intake pipe, and they will include the information with this application.

Mr. Smith inquired about the location of the wells onsite and why they are not working. Mr. Kenny responded that they are cracked and the only put out 50 gallons of water per minute when they need somewhere between 200-300 gallons per minute.

Mr. Toohill explained that they are not planning to increase water usage with the expansion of the pond, they just want to have the additional storage so when they use the water it is there.

Mr. Civian commented with regards to the fee waiver. He explained that since the fee waiver is intended for projects that serve an overwhelming public purpose the applicant would need to provide information that claims this to be eligible.

Ms. Bugay inquired about plant life that would be disturbed during the process. Mr. Toohill responded that the plant life would include seedstock and invasives.

Mr. Toohill also confirmed that there would be temporary adverse impacts on wildlife, as he explained that you will find with any dredging project. Mr. Civian responded that he is curious of the nature of wildlife disturbance and will be looking for more information on this.

Ms. Bugay asked for flood plain numbers and compensatory storage numbers. Mr. Toohill responded that he can provide these numbers but he thinks they will be pretty much a wash.

Mr. Civian made a motion to continue 124 Country Club Road until November 2nd, seconded by Ms. Bugay, UA.

**8:30 PM:** **Informal Items**-

750 Providence Highway (141-0522)- *Update*

Agent Brown explained that the DEP appeal visit recently took place. The abutter didn’t seem to present anything that the applicant couldn’t agree to aside from their continued desire to have the road removed.

Meetings/Courses

Agent Brown informed the Commission of the following courses/meetings coming up:

* Erosion & Sediment Control Field Day #2- 10/20/17 Kingston, RI
* 2017 Wildlife Tracking Conference, October 21 and 22, 2017
* MACC Fall Meeting, Saturday, October 28, 2017. 8:30 am – 4:15 pm, Publick House, Sturbridge
* 2017 Massachusetts Trails Conference, November 2-4, 2017

Emerald Ash Borer- Tree issues were reported to the state by Ms. Radner. Agent Brown also informed the tree warden.

Meeting Minutes- The minutes from October 5th, prepared by Agent Brown, will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Agent Brown informed the Commission that a letter of resignation was received from Michael Williams. The Commission will be opening up positions for a commissioner and alternates simultaneously.

**8:50 PM**: Ms. Bugay made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MR. Smith, UA.