

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES of MEETING
Tuesday, May 7, 2019
TOWN HALL ANNEX, 39 CENTRAL STREET
APPROVED: 5/28/2019**

Present: Robert Garner, Judy Kehs, Daniel Shinnick, Sam Streiff and Howard Vogel
Absent: N/A
Attending: Brent Baeslack, Conservation Agent

Opening Statement: Authorized by Wetlands Protection Act, Town of Rowley Wetlands Protection Bylaw, and the Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Bylaw. Meeting convened 7:30 PM (all Legal ads were read to open new agenda items at time noticed).

Administrative:

Re-organization of the Conservation Commission

The Commission discussed the appointment of a new Chairman and Vice Chairman due to the resignations of Commissioners Arthur Page and Curt Turner. Commissioner Daniel Shinnick offered to assume the position of Chairman. Commissioners Sam Streiff and Howard Vogel volunteered for the position of Vice Chairman. Vogel withdrew stating Streiff had more experience. Streiff agreed to accept the position.

Kehs moved to appoint Commissioner Daniel Shinnick as the Conservation Commission Chairman. Garner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Shinnick assumed the duties of conducting the meeting.

Vogel moved to appoint Commissioner Sam Streiff as the Conservation Commission Vice Chairman. Garner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Community Preservation Committee Representative: The appointment of a Conservation Commission Representative to the Community Preservation Committee was addressed due to the resignation of Curt Turner. Commissioner Sam Streiff agreed to assume this position.

Shinnick moved to nominate Commissioner Sam Streiff to serve as the Conservation Commission representative on the Community Preservation Committee. Vogel seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed and authorized the payroll and reimbursement of various Vendor Bill requests.

Acceptance of Minutes: After the Commission reviewed the minutes, Vogel moved to accept the Minutes of March 26, 2019 with the edits as discussed. Streiff seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Minutes: After the Commission reviewed the minutes, Garner moved to accept the Minutes of April 16, 2019 with the edits as discussed. Vogel seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

New Notice of Intent application at 491 Main Street (Map 31, Parcel/Lots 26 & 27A)

Paul Vorrias owned by James M. Mahoney Trust: Proposed construction of a common driveway, a single family dwelling 28x 64, and a garage 28 x 36, stormwater facilities, grading and utilities possibly within 100' Buffer Zones, Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, Salt Marsh, Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, and Great Marsh ACEC. Mr. Paul Vorrias was present with his representatives, Ms. Ann McMenemy and Ms. Deborah Colbert of Hancock Associates, to answer any questions or concerns of the Commission. The Commission was advised that Mr. Vorrias had purchased the property. Also in attendance was Mr. Bill DiMento, a property abutter. Ms. Colbert explained the structural design of the project and Ms. McMenemy reviewed the nature and extent of the wetland resource areas within the project site. Due to a number of outstanding issues with the application and plans, the applicant requested that the hearing be continued.

Vogel moved to continue the hearing with the applicant's permission to the meeting of May 28, 2019. Streiff seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

New Stormwater Management Permit Application at 491 Main Street (Map 31,

Parcel/Lots 26 & 27A) Paul Vorrias owned by James M. Mahoney Trust: Proposed construction of a common driveway, a single family dwelling 28 x 64, a barn 30 x 60 and two garages 24 x 24 and 28 x 36, stormwater facilities, grading and utilities; total site disturbance is approximately 34,000 square feet. Mr. Paul Vorrias was present with his representatives, Ms. Ann McMenemy and Ms. Deborah Colbert of Hancock and Associates, to answer any questions or concerns of the Commission. Agent Baeslack read for the record an email from abutters Bill and Beth DiMento, dated April 11, 2019. Mr. DiMento was in attendance, and there was a discussion regarding boundary lines. Ms. Colbert suggested that Mr. DiMento schedule a time to meet to discuss any boundary line concerns. Due to a number of outstanding issues with the application and plan, the applicant requested the hearing be continued.

Vogel moved to continue the hearing with the applicant's permission to the meeting of May 28, 2019. Streiff seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Continued Notice of Intent application at 77 Railroad Avenue (Map 27, Parcel/Lot 103)

David F. Jaquith: Proposed installation and construction of a new single family dwelling and upgraded sewage disposal system possibly within the 100' Buffer Zone of Salt Marsh and ACEC, and in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage. The property owners, Mr. David F. Jaquith and Ms. Sara Bourque, were in attendance with their representative, Mr. Charles Johnson of C.G. Johnson Engineering, to address the Commission. The Commission reviewed Agent Baeslack's memo dated May 7, 2019 with a recommendation to issue an Order of Conditions with special conditions for coastal resource areas, demolition work and

conditions typical for a single family dwelling project. Mr. Johnson discussed the construction sequence to deal with access limitations of tight lot.

Vogel moved to close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions for DEP #63-690 with special conditions as discussed. Garner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion:

Agricultural Properties - The Commission had a brief discussion regarding the agricultural aspect of properties and the Commission's role in applying the wetlands regulations to these properties. Due to the relevance to matters being addressed at the May 28, 2019 meeting, the Commission tabled the discussion.

Adjournment:

Accomplished at 8:45 PM by a motion made by Garner. Kehs seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by Brent Baeslack, Conservation Agent