

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES of MEETING
Tuesday, June 23, 2020
TOWN HALL ANNEX, 39 CENTRAL STREET
APPROVED: 7/14/2020

Present: Chair Daniel Shinnick, Vice Chair Sam Streiff, Robert Garner, Jena Haag (arrived approximately 8:28 pm), Howard Terrien and Howard Vogel
Absent: Judy Kehs
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).

Consistent with the Governor's orders suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law and banning gatherings of more than 10 people due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was conducted by remote participation to the greatest extent possible. The Commission and the public did not physically attend this meeting, but every effort was made to allow the public to view the meeting in real time. Persons who wished to do so were invited to watch the meeting on Rowley Community Media TV or to join the meeting from a computer, tablet or smartphone by using a link for GoToMeeting or dialing in by phone.

Administrative: Commissioners authorized the payroll and Vendor Bill requests which had been presented for review.

Acceptance of Minutes: After the Commission reviewed the minutes, Vogel moved to accept the Minutes of June 2, 2020. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Discussion(s):

Public Information Meeting regarding update on MS4 Stormwater Management Program Plan for the Town of Rowley – The Commission discussed the update on the MS4 Stormwater Management Program Plan. Ms. Jennifer Hughes of the Merrimac Valley Planning Commission gave the Commission a brief overview of the needed updates to the plan for this year. The updated documents consisted of Operations & Maintenance Plans as well as Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans for Town facilities and were not available because they had just been completed that morning. The documents would be uploaded to the Town's website for review by the Commission and the public. She also advised that the updates would be presented at an upcoming Board of Selectmen's meeting. Agent Baeslack also advised that the review of the Town's buildings had been beneficial not only in reference to stormwater management but also relating to the storage of potentially harmful materials and how they would be handled in case of leakage/spillage.

Certificate of Compliance Request(s):

New Request for Certificate of Compliance for Bylaw OOC #08-2018 at 50 Newbury Rd (Map 5, Parcel/Lot 41) O.N.G. Design and Development – The Commission reviewed Agent Baeslack’s memo and he gave a verbal report with photographs taken earlier in the day. He recommended issuance of a complete Certificate of Compliance with ongoing conditions.

Streiff moved to issue a complete Certificate of Compliance for #08-2018 with ongoing conditions. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

New Request for Certificate of Completion for SMP #32-2018 at 50 Newbury Rd (Map 5, Parcel/Lot 41) O.N.G. Design and Development - The Commission reviewed Agent Baeslack’s memo and he gave a verbal report with photographs taken earlier in the day. He recommended issuance of a complete Certificate of Completion with ongoing conditions.

Garner moved to issue a complete Certificate of Completion for #32-2018 with ongoing conditions. Terrien seconded and the motioned passed unanimously by roll call vote.

New Request for Certificate of Compliance for DEP #63-0686 at 51 Oyster Point Rd (Map 27, Parcel/Lot 90) Raffi Kassabian – The Commission reviewed Agent Baeslack’s memo. Agent Baeslack gave a verbal report on compliance with photographs. Agent Baeslack advised that he had received two as-built plans which gave all of the necessary documentation for the project. He had requested the septic system designer to add some labels to his as-built plan to make it complete and had been advised that a revised plan would be forthcoming. Due to a pending closing on the property, he asked that the Commission consider issuing the Certificate of Compliance prior to receiving the revised plan. The Commission was in agreement with this request. He recommended a complete Certificate of Compliance with ongoing conditions.

Streiff moved to issue a complete Certificate of Compliance for #63-0686 with ongoing conditions. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

New Request for Certificate of Compliance for DEP #63-0687 at Public Right of Way at 124 Haverhill St. (Map 15, Parcel/Lot 97) Rowley Water Dept. – Agent Baeslack gave a verbal report on the completion of the project and the current site conditions. He recommended issuing a complete Certificate of Compliance and advised there were no ongoing conditions.

Vogel moved to issue a complete Certificate of Compliance for #63-0687 with no ongoing conditions. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

New Request for Certificate of Compliance for DEP #63-0670 at 206 Main St. (Map 24, Parcel 138, Lot 3) Mary Cormier, Inc. Mr. Robert Cormier – Agent Baeslack gave a verbal report on the compliance of the project and advised that he had receive the revised

plans but had not yet reviewed them. He recommended the issuance of a complete Certificate of Compliance contingent on review and approval of the revised plans.

Streiff moved to issue a complete Certificate of Compliance with ongoing conditions contingent upon review and approval of revised plans. Garner seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Jena Haag **arrived** to the meeting.

Continued Request for a Certificate of Compliance 305 Newburyport Turnpike (Map 17, Parcel 20, Lot 47) Ed Surette, Trustee of Prime Realty Trust – No one was available for this item. Agent Baeslack advised that he was waiting for confirmation that two final project tasks had been completed. No further action can be taken at this time. Item will be continued to the next meeting.

Status Reports: Permits & Enforcement

Enforcement Order 11 Rivers Edge Drive (Map 10, Parcel 3, Lot 5-3) John & Lauryn Deluise – Agent Baeslack gave a brief status report concerning the joint site visit with Rimmer Environmental Consulting and the property owner. Specific items to be addressed in the restoration were reviewed on the ground. No further action needs to be taken at this time.

Enforcement Order 325 Wethersfield Street (Map 19, Parcel 8, Lot 17) Dominic & Jennifer Baraiolo – Agent Baeslack gave a brief status report. Mr. Dominic Baraiolo was available for questions. Agent Baeslack noted he was waiting for the site visit to be scheduled with DeRosa Environmental. No further action needs to be taken at this time.

Adjournment:

Accomplished at 8:38 PM by a motion made by Streiff. Garner seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Submitted by Brent Baeslack, Conservation Agent