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**REHOBOTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Meeting Minutes – February 4, 2020**

**Present:** Robert Materne, Chairman, Dave Evans, Vice Chairman, Krisna Prachanronarong, Matt Habershaw, Matt Kershaw, Daniel Roach Conservation Agent

**Absent:** Thomas Nicholson, Stephen Choquette, Associate Member Sara Huber, Associate Member Scott Pennoyer.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Materne called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**Public Hearings**

**1. 23 Round Farm Road – Maceil – NOI – SE60-1174**

Mr. Evans asked the commission and the audience if there were any questions, there were none.

Mr. Evans explained that this is an after the fact filing.

Mr. Evans made a motion to close the public hearing.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue Order of Conditions.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

**2. 56 Rocky Hill Road – Kelly – NOI – SE60- 1173**

Mr. Brad Fitzgerald of SFG Associates was present.

Mr. Fitzgerald presented plans.

Mr. Materne explained the site visit. The wetland line should be changed to connect flag #3 to flag #8 in a straight line. He asked the commission and the audience if there were any questions, there were none.

Mr. Evans made a motion to close the public hearing.

Mr. Prachanronarong seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue Order of Conditions with the condition that an Authorization to Proceed will not be issued until revised plans are submitted to show the change in the wetland line.

Mr. Prachanronarong seconded the motion. Motion passes.

**3. 177 Brook Street – Gouveia Jr. – NOI – SE60-1176**

Ms. Rachel Smith of Otis Dyer's office was present.

Ms. Smith presented plans.

Mr. Materne explained the site visit. Stated that the B series flags were verified and the A series flags were not verified. The grass clippings should be removed from the wetlands along the B series. Asked the commission and the audience if there were any questions, there were none.

Mr. Evans made a motion to close the public hearing.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue Order of Conditions with the conditions that the A series was not verified and that the grass clippings be removed.

Mr. Kershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

4. 27 Starr Lane – Meridian – Amended Order of Conditions – SE60-1107

Mr. Habershaw recused himself from the public hearing due to a potential conflict.

Mr. Rob Davis of InSite Engineering was present.

Mr. Davis presented plans.

Mr. Materne explained that the line was still able to be verified even though some flags were missing. The line runs along the existing stone wall. Due to the limit of work proximity to the wetland line conservation signs should be added at flag #63, 61, 59, and #53a.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue Amended Order of Conditions with the conditions of conservation signs being added and flags rehung.

Mr. Prachanronarong seconded the motion. Motion passes.

5. 180 Pleasant Street – Ferreira – ANRAD – SE60-1175

Mr. Rob Davis of InSite Engineering was present.

Mr. Davis presented plans.

Mr. Materne asked about the length of the line and which portions would be verified.

Mr. Davis explained that only flags on the property would be verified.

There was discussion regarding how resource areas near the property line would be handled.

Mr. Evans asked what should be done this time?

Mr. Davis replied do all flagged resource areas.

Mr. Evans made a motion to send the application and plans to ECR for peer review.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Davis requested a continuance until March 10, 2020 to allow for the peer review.

Mr. Evans made a motion to grant a continuance until March 10, 2020.

Mr. Prachanronarong seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Materne asked the audience if there were any questions, there were none.

6. 147 School Street – Castro – NOI – SE60-1178

Mr. Mark Mariano of Oakhill Engineering was present.

Mr. Mariano presented plans.

Mr. Materne explained the site visit. The wetland line was verified.

Mr. Materne asked the commission and the audience if there were any questions.

Mr. Habershaw stated that the debris should be removed by hand.

Mr. Evans made a motion to close the public hearing.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue Order of Conditions with the condition that the debris be removed by hand.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

7. 134 Agricultural Ave – Freeman – NOI – SE60-1177

Mr. Mark Mariano of Oakhill Engineering was present.

Mr. Mariano presented plans.

Mr. Materne stated that the wetland line was previously approved though and ANRAD. On the plans the word "intermittent" should be changed to "perennial".

There was discussion in regards to how much riverfront would be disturbed. If the house is taken down and let to regrow naturally it will not be counted towards the percent of disturbance.

There was discussion in regards to debris removal. Take out as much as possible by hand. Have the Agent go out to the site and watch removal of larger items.

Mr. Mariano presented a letter from an abutter granting permission to the applicant to remove debris that has been put on their property.

Mr. John Logan of 126 Agricultural Ave was present.

Mr. Logan asked about washout pad and stone retaining wall.

Mr. Mariano replied the temporary nature of the washout pad and the size of the retaining wall.

Mr. Evans made a motion to close the public hearing.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Mr. Mariano stated the contractor could submit a plan outlining the debris cleanup.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue Order of Conditions with conditions that the property is cleaned up according to what was discussed, that a plan be submitted for the cleanup, and the area where the old house is will be restored.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

### **General Business**

#### 1. Behind 151 Plain Street – Trinity Estates – Request for Certificate of Compliance – SE60-1135

Mr. Roach explained the site visit. All of the slopes have been stabilized and the grass at the bioretention area has grown.

Mr. Evans made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

#### 2. 2020 Meeting Dates & Deadline Schedule – Revised due to Elections

Mr. Roach went over the dates that effect the normal scheduled meetings.

Mr. Evans made a motion to accept the 2020 Meeting date & Deadline scheduled.

Mr. Prachanronarong seconded the motion. Motion passes.

#### 3. MA Trail Grant – Discussion

Mr. Roach explained what a MA trails grant is and what can be done with it. Asked the commission about their interest.

The commission is interested and also in other related grants.

#### 4. Agent Update

Mr. Roach went over the most recent Authorization to Proceeds' issued. He will continue to update the commission as they are issued.

##### 59 Pine Street

Mr. Roach explained that work is being done that appears to cross a wetland, work has stopped before the resource area and the buffer zone but an excavator appears to be going back and forth through the wetlands.

Mr. Evans stated a cease and desist would be an appropriate course of action.

##### 72 Martin Street

Mr. Roach explained that upon visiting with the Health Agent during his inspection the owners of 72 Martin Street appear to have filled wetlands on their property.

Mr. Materne stated the commission should go out there during their next site walk before anything is issued.

## Concerns & Complaints

### 1. 582 Winthrop Street – Concern

Mr. Roach stated that upon visiting the site it appears as though no significant steps have been taken to address the issues on the site. Asked should a letter or an Enforcement Order be issued?

Mr. Evans stated that sending a letter would be appropriate.

### 2. 20 Water Street – Concern

Mr. Roach asked the commission if they had any recommendations for restoring the disturbed area from the cleanup of the oil spill, recommended leaving the existing silt fence.

Mr. Evans stated that the trap rock should be pulled out, as much as possible.

Mr. Habershaw stated that it should be put back to grade and seeded with New England wetland seed mix.

Mr. Materne stated they can start anytime and reseed in the spring.

### 3. 46 Broad Street – Concern

The commission discussed a plan for the Highway Department to notify the commission of work near wetlands.

Mr. Roach suggested a list of work for the month to 2-week period and he will review it. Then bring it to the commission for comment if needed.

Mr. Habershaw stated addressing the hole that was dug, we should go back out to the site in July when the hole has dried out so we can properly assess it.

## Minutes

### 1. December 17, 2019

### 2. January 7, 2020

Mr. Materne explained his revisions he made to the meeting minutes.

The minutes will be placed on a future agenda for approval.

### 3. January 21, 2020

Mr. Evans made a motion to approve the above-named meeting minutes.

Mr. Prachanronarong seconded the motion. Motion passes.

## ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans made a motion to adjourn the meeting.


Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

For the Conservation Commission

Robert Materne, Chairman

David Evans, Vice-Chairman

  
Daniel Roach  
Agent