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REHOBOTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2016

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Present: Robert Materne, David Evans, Thomas Nicholson, Scott Pennoyer, Stephen Choquette, Matt Kershaw-Associate Member Devin Escobar-Associate Member

Leeann Bradley, Conservation Agent

Absent: Krisna Prachanronarong, Matt Habershaw, Devin Escobar-Associate Member

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Materne called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Pledge of Allegiance recited at 7:02pm.

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CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

CURRENT ISSUES

1. 11 Old Providence Road, 25 & 29 Fall River Ave. – Raposo – Installing barriers.
2. 417 Winthrop St. – Cartin – A letter will be sent asking for progress update. Needs to finish.
3. 72 Francis St.- Rodrigues – BVW/Buffer Zone clearing – Needs to restore wetlands. A letter will be sent to confirm site visit.
4. Manitook Estates – Administrative Consent Order – The new owner is providing weekly progress updates. A DEP site visit will take place this Thursday at 10:30.
5. Lot 10 Plain St. – Vieira – EO lifted – Revisit in June 2016 – Needs to seed in the fall.
6. 309 Summer Street – Dalmeida – Clean-up is complete. All fill removed. The Enforcement Order will be lifted. Ms. Bradley will send a letter to Mr. Dalmeida thanking him for his cooperation and that the Enforcement Order has been lifted.
Mr. Evans motioned to lift the Enforcement Order.
Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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7. 90 Wheeler St – Moniz – Crestwood Country Club – C&D – Removing material from pond –

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Mr. Todd Bechtel was present. Mr. Pennoyer stated a lot of excavating is going on in the pond. They have been doing it for years as part of their routine maintenance. They have not filed for the past 17 years and he does not feel they should file now. If they are doing something different then they need to file. Mr. Bechtel stated the pond is very shallow. He fills it for irrigation and cleans around the edge. He has been doing this for years. This is at the 7th hole. The pond fills with water from the Palmer River. Mr. Bechtel cleans out the swales yearly. Mr. Pennoyer stated again, they haven't filed for 17 years why do they need to start now? Mr. Evans stressed the only real question is, what kind of resource is present. Is it isolated land subject to flooding? Is it bordering vegetated wetlands? Is the swale considered a protected resource? Mr. Nicholson suggested a site visit to figure out what resource area this is. He also added he is a 10 year member of Crestwood CC and does not feel there will be a conflict of interest as a member of the Conservation Commission. Mr. Materne stated if the weather is inclement plug the pipe so no silt will overflow. Mr. Bechtel will come before the commission when he is ready to maintain the 18th hole. He is working on the 1st and the 10th holes. Mr. Choquette will keep in touch with him as to what is going on. He will take a look and get back to the commission. The commission will add this to their site visit of July 31, 2016.

Mr. Bechtel was asked about the Sun Valley Golf Course. He stated that Mosquito Control is dredging the swale area along the Palmer River. He has hydro-seeded the area and erosion control was installed. This matter will be added to the site visit of July 31, 2016 as well.

PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETINGS

1. 9 Greenwood Avenue – RDA – septic repair – Ms. Nicole Letendre from Watershed Environmental Inc., was present on behalf of the applicant. She is proposing a septic repair for an existing failed system. They will be keeping the septic tank. A new leaching field will be installed. The system currently receives back wash discharge from the demineralizer system. Sump discharge is at the rear of the house into a dry well. There will be no discharge onto the lawn. The Board of Health has approved the project. Mr. Evans motioned to issue a Negative #3 Determination of Applicability. Mr. Choquette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Pleasant Street Bridge – bank revegetation – discussion - Mr. Materne stated that he, Mr. Nicholson and Mr. Evans went to the site. Mr. Nicholson noted there is a 60% slope due to a very tight area. It is a steep slope and could be a problem if there is a heavy storm flow. The commission is satisfied with the planting plan and will let Mike Tyler know.

2. Agricultural Ave. – town owned land – Ms. Bradley stated this is a 24 acre parcel already owned by the town. It is on the list to be auctioned off unless the Conservation Commission would like to acquire it. Mr. Nicholson motioned to have the land on Agricultural Avenue that is currently owned by the town transferred to the Conservation Commission. Mr. Choquette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Nomination of Town Maps Committee member – Mr. Materne went to the Selectman's meeting and stated the Planning Board and the Water Resource board is not sure how much water the town has for projects like sub-divisions. Wells are being drilled deeper to find sufficient water. One member from various committees and boards in town will be nominated as a Town Maps Committee member.

Data will be collected using the hydrology of the town and many of the resources DEP already has for mapping. It will then be combined with a GIS system. Hydrologist, Mr. Jack Hermance and several interns will be working on the project.

Mr. Evans nominated Mr. Materne to the Town Maps Committee.

Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. Request for COC – Jorde – 468 Tremont St. – SE60-709 – Ms. Bradley stated all looks fine.

Mr. Pennoyer motioned to issue the COC.

Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

MINUTES

1. December 15, 2015

Minutes have not been reviewed and will be added to the next agenda.

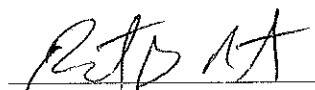
INVOICES

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm.

Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

For the Conservation Commission,



Robert Materne, Chairman