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MEETING NOT TAPED

REHOBOTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION **Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2017**

Present: Robert Materne, David Evans, Thomas Nicholson, Matt Habershaw, Krisna Prachanronarong, Stephen Choquette, Matt Kershaw-Associate Member; Leeann Bradley, Conservation Agent

Absent: Scott Pennoyer

CALL TO ORDER

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

CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

1. 172/178 Summer Street – Solid waste in BVW – Mr. Materne spoke with Karl Drown, Health Agent. Mr. Drown will be contacting DEP in hopes to bring attention to this property.

CURRENT ISSUES

1. Lot 10- Plain St. – Vieira – EO lifted – Restoration area - The Commission will again be visiting this site on August 13, 2017. Ms. Bradley will send the owner notification of the site visit and request that they be present in order to understand what needs to be done to correct the restoration area. The Commission will be asking for native wetland trees and a wetland seed mix.

2. Manitook Estates – Administrative Consent Order – The Commission is again receiving weekly updates from the applicant's wetland consultant with regard to the construction of the restoration and replication areas.

3. One Linden Lane – Martel – Mr. Choquette stated that the house is in the process of being framed. It does not appear that the restoration area has been completed. Mr. Choquette will check this out and get back to the Commission and Ms. Bradley. If the restoration area has not been completed, Ms. Bradley will send a letter asking the owner/applicant for an update.

4. Oakhill Beagle Club –Forest Restoration and Wildlife Management Plans – The Commission will be meeting with the Rehoboth Land Trust during their meeting of August 15, 2017, in order to discuss this further.

5. 367 Anawan Street – Lilli Mae – possible cutting within BVW – The Commission will be visiting the site again on August 13, 2017. Mr. Viera has been mailed several letters regarding what is required of him. The BVW still has not been flagged.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETINGS

1. 259 Plain Street – Branco – NOI – SE60-(DEP# not yet issued) Catherine Branco, applicant, appeared on behalf of this project. They are proposing to construct a single family home with detached garage, grading, landscaping, septic system, etc. Mr. Materne stated that the wetland delineation has expired and they were only able to find three (3) wetland flags with numbers. The wetland line will need to be reflagged by a botanist/wetland scientist. Mr. Materne also stated that he found hydric soils in the field and within a small depression.

The applicant had already begun the construction of the garage and trench without a permit from Conservation. Ms. Branco stated that they were issued a Building Permit and not informed that a filing with Conservation was needed. The construction of the trench is because of the high water table encountered when constructing the garage foundation.

The Commission also observed a large compost pile on the property which included trash. The applicant will remove the compost pile from the property.

The Commission will not, at this time, issue an Enforcement Order. The applicant is required to remove any/all old wetland flags, have the wetlands newly delineated and stated that no additional work and/or construction is to take place on the property until these issues have been resolved and an Order of Conditions has been issued.

The Commission noted that the replication area which was approved as part of the construction of the common driveway is successful. Mr. Choquette did state that the Commission needs to communicate to future applicants that only native species are to be used within replication/restoration areas. This site used hybridized Maples. The Commission will draft a new policy.

2. 120 Hillside Avenue – Levine – RDA – Mr. Ted Rowse was present on behalf of the applicant. The existing house was constructed in 1964 with an addition built in 1969. An elderly couple currently resides in the house and Mr. Levine would like to build a two (2) bedroom addition onto the garage. This will require relocating the driveway nine (9') feet to the north which will be within fifty (50') of the existing stream.

Mr. Rowse stated that Scott Rabideau flagged the wetlands and the stream for the adjacent lot. The stream, per the USGS map, is not shown as a blue line. The Commission does not believe the stream is perennial; however, water was flowing to the south.

Mr. Habershaw stated that the work is very minimal and within the existing lawn area. There only a small change in grade.

The Commission stated that they would like the BVW and edge of stream correctly delineated from the culvert to the existing outbuilding and shown on the plan.

Mr. Rowse requested a continuance to the Commission's meeting of August 15, 2017. Mr. Evans motioned to grant Mr. Rowse's request for continuance. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

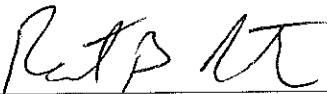
2. 41 Colonial Way – David Duarte – ANRAD – SE60-1074 – Ms. Beth Hallal, representative for the applicant, emailed Ms. Bradley this afternoon requesting a continuance to the Commission's meeting of August 15, 2017. Mr. Evans motioned to grant the request for a continuance of the public hearing for 41 Colonial Way. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
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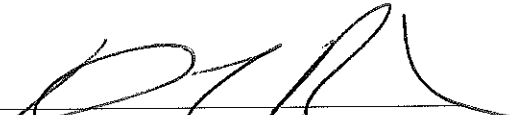
3. 50 Tremont Street – Lacombe – ANRAD – SE60-1077 – Ms. Lisa Caledonia, representative for the applicant, emailed Ms. Bradley this afternoon requesting a continuance to the Commission's meeting of August 15, 2017. She will need to reevaluate a few of the wetland delineation flags. Mr. Evans motioned to grant the request to continue. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Nicholson motioned to adjourn at 7:45p.m. Mr. Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed.

For the Conservation Commission,


Robert Materne, Chairman


David Evans, Vice-Chairman