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REHOBOTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes – October 3, 2017

Present: Robert Materne David Evans, Thomas Nicholson, Matt Habershaw, Stephen Choquette, Matt Kershaw

Leeann Bradley, Conservation Agent

Absent: Scott Pennoyer, Krisna Prachanronarong

****Filming began at approximately 7:07pm**

CALL TO ORDER

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

CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

CURRENT ISSUES

1. Lot 10 Plain St. – Vieira – EO lifted – Restoration area – Restoration area - correspondence mailed describing restoration area planting.

2. Manitook Estates – Administrative Consent Order – Enforcement Order ratified at last meeting. They are only allowed to work on the replication areas. Mr. Tom Grossi was present and stated he observed large piles of stone being brought in. He is concerned that additional work is ongoing. He was instructed by the commission to bring any other concerns to the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

3. One Linden Lane – Martel – No new information. Mr. Martel will be asked to attend the next meeting. Past meeting minutes will be reviewed to review what needs to be done.

4. Oakhill Beagle Club – Send plan to Adam Latham and ask him to attend the next meeting.

5. 367 Anawan Street – Lilli Mae – possible cutting within BVW – Mr. Materne stated they made a visit to the property on Sunday and they found 2 (two) blue flags tied to a tree. There is no way of knowing if it is accurate. They discussed on site what they feel is going on. The commission only wants to deal with the owner of the property and explain to him he is responsible for what is going on. Even if the one blue flag is accurate, it is right on the wetland edge. There are logs by the fence that are part way down on the wetland edge. Mr. Materne asked the commission members if they had anything to add to this discussion. Mr. Choquette feels the owner should be brought in. Mr. Materne added there is an Enforcement Order there and the owner can do nothing but open the garage doors and park a few cars.

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6. 259 Plain Street - Branco – Mr. Materne stated the commission went out there and the applicant did a great job. Everything is behind the hay bales and everything has been cleared out. Mr. Maternes asked Ms. Bradley to send a letter to the applicant stating all looks good.

PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETINGS

1. The Reserve at Spring Hill – 40B – Dumontier – NOI- SE60-1081 – Mr. Phil Fusco was present on behalf of the applicant, Mr. Dumontier, who was also present. Mr. Fusco performed the storm water analysis. He was part of the team that worked on the original design. He stated this was an amendment to the original Order of Conditions from 2009. Since then he has gone through the MEPA process and was approved in 2012 and made some adjustments to the development. Essentially what they have is the same 200 unit project. It is the same overall layout. They introduced open channel drainage, LID type elements such as swales, porous pavement, sediment basins, natural grading and 4 (four) watershed areas. They changed the grading to allow more flow with the natural grade of the site. Mr. Fusco noted the roadway systems are the same as before. They have reduced the overall pavement area by 2,000 linear feet. The septic treatment is the same as before. Nothing has been altered.

Mr. Materne asked if the project was designed so the surrounding wetlands do not lose water due to water going into a focused area. Will they have the same kind of flow if the project wasn't there? Mr. Fusco stated they have an open channel system that will bring the water back into the ground water. It will flow out into the wetlands. The plans show the wetlands edge and they are outside of that.

Mr. Choquette asked why all the roads are not porous. Mr. Fusco noted the utilities are underground but they are using porous pavers for all the driveways and parking areas. Mr. Nicholson questioned the water supply. Mr. Fusco added water comes from a public water supply which is 2 (two) wells that will be built for this facility. The wastewater will go into a treatment facility to be built onsite. Mr. Materne asked how they would install the 2(two) service pipes along the wetland line since there is no siltation control going to the well.

Mr. Dumontier informed the commission that the well was already installed and approved by the state 3 or 4 years ago. Mr. Evans asked about a construction schedule. Mr. Fusco stated he has Phase I entrance road around the existing dwellings. It may take 3 or 4 months for Phase I to be complete. Ms. Bradley informed Mr. Dumontier there are 40B regulations he must adhere to. She will get that information to him as well as Surety requirements. Mr. Materne noted wetland signs need to be installed. The Conservation Commission will determine where the signs should go.

Mr. Materne asked if anyone in attendance had questions. Ms. Beverly Baker of the Cemetery Commission asked about encroachment. She stated they were happy they were notified of the new development as they have not been informed in the past, and encroachment has been an issue. She wants to know how close the development is coming to the abutting cemetery on Spring St. Mr. Fusco assured her they are not coming close at all.

Mr. Fusco also addressed a question from Mr. Walter Horton of 103 Spring Street regarding the 8' wide access road for vehicles that are 10' wide. Mr. Fusco assured him the access road for the well will only be used to get a backhoe in to dig a trench. Mr. Horton asked about the impact on surrounding wells from this development. Mr. Fusco stated there are 2(two) wells for this development and they are within the influence zone and the draw from the wells will not go beyond the development influence zone. These wells are very deep. The two wells will offset each other. They will not draw at the same time but will instead complement each other. Mr. Horton asked about the septic treatment facility. Mr. Fusco informed him that there will be a self-contained treatment facility. It treats waste and then pumps it into the septic system. It is not a septic system that requires periodic pumping. He also noted it was covered under Title V, and approved by the Board of Health and also the state of Massachusetts. Mr. Horton's last question related to wetland protection within the development.

Mr. Materne assured Mr. Horton that all work is at least 25' from the wetland edge. There is no alteration of the wetlands on this property. There were no further questions from those in attendance. Mr. Fusco

was asked to request a continuance to the next meeting which will be October 24th as there is an election on October 17th.

Mr. Evans motioned to have the next Conservation Commission meeting on October 24, 2017.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2. 41 Colonial Way – Duarte – ANRAD – SE60-1074 – Ms. Bradley stated the applicant has requested a continuance of the public hearing to the next meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Walt Munroe Conservation Area – Rule and Regulations – Discussion – Mr. Materne made a list of the regulations he thinks should be implemented. He feels deer stands should be removed the last day of hunting season. Ms. Bradley asked if having deer stands remain up is a liability for the town. Mr. Materne did not know. The commission had some further discussion and then agreed that deer stands can only be put up the day they are being used. Mr. Materne discussed horseback riding and feels it should be allowed except where posted. He also feels dogs should be allowed and unleashed as long as they are under control and not in a wildlife or bird sanctuary. He also noted no alcohol, fires or motorized vehicles of any kind should be allowed. All trash should be carried out. He also added that no structures of any kind should be built with the exception of wildlife or bird viewing structures. There should not be any paintball games allowed. No businesses should take place on the property. No cutting of plant material with the exception of botany projects. Invasive species may be removed under the guidance of the commission.

He asked the commission for their input. Mr. Choquette asked about fines if there are violations and how they would be implemented. Ms. Bradley will check on this. There was no further discussion.

2. Request for COC – 49 Salisbury Street – Rosa – SE60-1066 – Ms. Bradley stated all looked good.

Mr. Nicholson motioned to issue the Certificate of Compliance.

Mr. Habershaw seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Not on Agenda – Mr. Materne noted he received an email from Betsey Dyer today stating she signed the papers for all the property behind the Oakhill Beagle Club. The only issue now is to sell and issue the checks. He will be speaking to her tomorrow.

MINUTES

1. May 16, 2017 2. June 6, 2017 3. July 11, 2017

Mr. Evans motioned to approve the minutes, noting that Mr. Materne recused himself from the discussion of Pine Street on the July 11, 2017 minutes.

Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

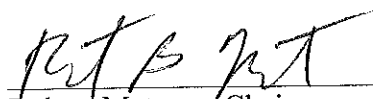
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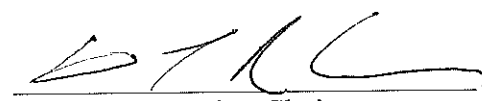
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Nicholson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00p.m.

Mr. Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed.

For the Conservation Commission


Robert Materne, Chairman


David Evans, Vice-Chairman