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REHOBOTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION Meeting Minutes – November 21, 2017

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

Lecann Bradley, Conservation Agent

Absent: Scott Pennoyer, Krisna Prachanronarong, Matt Habershaw

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 – Ms. Bradley stated she has sent a letter to Mr. Vieira and is waiting to hear from him.

- 2. Manitook Estates Administrative Consent Order Enforcement Order Issued. The Conservation Commission visited the property on Sunday. The Zoning Enforcement Officer issued a Cease and Desist almost 2 months ago. The circle in the back is now a gravel roadway. The right of way for the roadway is approved at 40°. At the site visit is appears it is at least 45°. There are new piles of gravel and woodchips in the back. Mr. Materne stated they did more work than they were supposed to, and they moved more gravel than they should have. Mr. Materne noted that Rehoboth does not have a building inspector to oversee this project. Ms. Bradley added this is becoming more and more of an issue. Mr. Evans and Mr. Materne agreed that a letter should be drafted to the Board of Selectmen. Ms. Bradley stated she spoke to selectman David Perry and he has asked her to give him a timeline of everything that has occurred recently. She added that the only thing they were allowed to do was work on the replication area. There was no further discussion.
- 3. One Linden Lane Martel Mr. Karl Martel was present. Mr. Materne stated the commission viewed his property this past Sunday. He added that removing the pool is fine but the straw wattles are not working. There is siltation on the other side and it is flooding the area. Mr. Martel stated he is bringing more fill in to that area. Mr. Materne added that the wattles have to be there especially if he is bringing in more fill. He suggested using hay bales as the wattles are too short. Mr. Nicholson stated that the water is going around the last set of wattles that were installed. He should really be using hay bales. Mr. Materne added that the erosion control must be maintained until the project is done. There are boulders that also need to be removed. Mr. Choquette added that the corner of the property has the most flooding. He feels there should be hay bales in that area. Mr. Choquette. Mr. Evans, Mr. Materne and Mr. Kershaw showed

- Mr. Martel the plans and advised him what he needs to do. They showed him exactly where the hay bales should be placed. Mr. Materne confirmed with Mr. Martel that he understood the information the commission has given him. The commission will revisit the property at the next site walk on December 3, 2017. Ms. Bradley will send Mr. Martel a letter confirming the commissions instructions related to removing boulders and requesting that 45-47 double staked new hay bales be installed prior to the next site visit on December 3, 2017. There was no further discussion
- 4. Oakhill Beagle Club Mr. Materne stated they will be meeting with them and will conduct a site walk on December 17, 2017.
- 5. 367 Anawan Street Lilli Mae possible cutting within BVW Rachel Smith re-flagged the site and the commission verified the wetland line as accurate, however Mr. Materne noted that some of the debris is right up against the wetland line or very close to it. If this property will be operating as a disposal site for cutting waste they must install berms or block walls 10' from the wetland line. If they will not be adding anymore cutting waste they must remove everything and clean up the area. The property owner, Mr. Viera will be asked to attend the next meeting on December 5, 2017. There was no further discussion.

PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETINGS

- 1. 24 Danforth Street Ledgard ANRAD SE60-1082 As there was no quorum for the November 7, 2017 meeting the commission will need to close the public hearing for the ANRAD. Mr. Materne stated the commission went out and verified the wetland line. They feel the line is accurate.
- Mr. Evans motioned to close the Public Hearing for the ANRAD
- Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Evans motioned to issue the ORAD stating the wetland line is verified.
- Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 2. The Reserve at Spring Hill 40B Dumontier NOI- SE60-1081 This matter has been continued to December 5, 2017.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1. Meeting Schedule for 2018.
- Mr. Evans motioned to approve the 2018 meeting schedule.
- Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 2. Request for COC off Plain Street Conway SE60-840 As there was no quorum for this meeting this matter will be continued to the meeting of 11/21/17. Mr. Materne stated the COC was for a replication area and all looked fine.
- Mr. Evans motioned to issue the Certificate of Compliance.
- Mr. Choquette seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 3. Request for COC off 237 Pine Street Reposa SE60-823 Mr. Materne stated he could not be a part of this discussion as his brother is an abutter.
- Mr. Evans motioned to issue a Certificate of Compliance for SE60-823.
- Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Materne abstained.

4. Correspondence – Plain Street Conservation Restriction – Mr. Materne stated that in 2015 this property was supposed to be a subdivision. It was never completed. Someone has come forward and wants to buy this property for a doggie day care business. A letter was sent to the selectmen regarding the conservation restriction. They want some language changes to reflect that there will be no project at this location. Mr. Materne added the conservation restriction has no value or benefit to the town as it is in a wetland protected by the Wetland Protection Act. This information must be conveyed to the state. Ms. Bradley will make the changes and revise the letter.

MINUTES

INVOICES

1. Waterstone Engineering – Spring Hill - \$3,078.75

Mr. Nicholson motioned to submit payment to Waterstone Engineering in the amount of \$3,078.75.

Mr. Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45p.m.

Mr. Choquette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

For the Conservation Commission

Robert Materne, Chairman

David Evans, Vice-Chairman