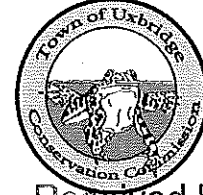


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Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday January 16, 2018
Board of Selectman's Room, Uxbridge Town Hall

Present: Chair Andrew Gorman, Vice Chair Jim Hogan, Treasurer Russell Holden, Member Lauren Steele and Conservation Agent Melissa Danza

Absent: Clerk Jeff Shaw, Members Dale Bangma and Rick Tobin

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP#312-1039**, 620 Aldrich Street (Map 48, Parcel 4524) (00:35 – 06:32)
Applicant: Jonathan E. Tibbetts Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc.
Project Description: Construction of a single-family home with associated septic system, earthwork, landscaping with a wetland crossing to construct a driveway.

Description: *(PH opened 5.1.17)* Steve O'Connell, Andrews Survey and Engineering, attended and explained he will be representing the applicant in place of Mr. Connolly who is no longer with Andrews. He indicated he would be submitting a stamped plan to the Commission and the third-party reviewer within the next few days. There was also a brief review the details and benefits of the cement block walls up the driveway as well as expanding the replication area to the east.

MOTION: Mr. Hogan made a motion to continue DEP#312-1039, 620 Aldrich Street, to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

2. **Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-1054**, 0 Newell Road & 0 South Main Street (Map 25, Parcels 2065 & 4434)
Applicant: ForeFront Power, LLC Representative: TRC Environmental Corporation
Project Description: Construction of a 4 megawatt ground mounted solar facility with work in bordering vegetated wetlands and associated buffer zones. (06:33 – 07:26)

Description: *(PH opened 9.19.17)* The applicant formally requested to continue the hearing.

MOTION: Mr. Hogan moved to continue DEP#312-1054, 0 Newell Road & 0 South Main Street, to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed by vote of 3-0-1. Mr. Holden abstained.

3. **Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-10XX**, 57 Lackey Dam Road (Map 9, Parcel 1519) (07:27 – 14:41)
Applicant: Griffin Homes LLC Representative: Civil Site Engineering LLC
Project Description: Replacement of an existing septic system within the Buffer Zone to a BVW.

Description: Margaret Bacon, Civil Site Engineering, attended on behalf of the applicant. Ms. Bacon reviewed the plans, described the project and explained why the location was chosen. She noted where the ECB's would be installed and that they will act as the limit of disturbance. She did not believe there would be any need to stockpile material or remove any trees. Mr. Hogan noted that if they do need to stockpile materials it should be covered because it is within the 100' buffer. Mr. Gorman commented and the other Commissioners agreed that the location was a good choice, the applicant is working within the boundaries of Title 5, and the work required is within the existing lawn. No members of the public attended the meeting for comment.

MOTION: Ms. Steele moved to continue the NOI for 57 Lackey Dam Road to the next meeting of the Conservation Commission in anticipation of a DEP number. Mr. Hogan seconded and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

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WETLAND UPDATES/ISSUES

1. Request for Certificate of Compliance, 44 Depot Street - DEP #312-398 (14:43 – 17:16)
 - The applicant is requesting a CoC for a project to construct an addition that was brought before the Commission in 1998 and never completed as permitted. Members have observed the site and confirmed that the project was not completed. Mr. Gorman's recommendation was for the Commission to issue a CoC with an invalid Order of Conditions, as the work was never performed.
 - MOTION: Mr. Hogan made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance with an invalid Order of Conditions for DEP #312-398 because the work was never completed as permitted. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

REPORTED/ONGOING VIOLATIONS

- Commerce Drive – Map 40, Parcels 3085 & 3086 (17:22 – 27:39)
 - Steve O'Connell, Andrews Survey and Engineering, attended on behalf of the applicant. The proposed restoration plan prepared by EcoTec, Inc. dated 12/22/17 was provided to the Commissioners at the meeting and briefly discussed. Members agreed to review the plan in more detail and Mr. O'Connell offered to invite the EcoTec representative to the February 5th meeting to address questions.
- 77 Industrial Drive (27:41 – 29:02)
 - Mrs. Danza confirmed she was in contact with the owner who is working towards staking out the 200' riverfront area that can be assessed by the Commission upon completion.
- General discussion regarding erosion control (29:01 – 34:05)
 - Mr. Gorman drove by Mountainview Subdivision during the last rainstorm and noted some issues with sediment from Lot 5. Mark Arnold, Goddard Consulting, was notified and was provided photographs from Mr. Gorman by email. Mr. Arnold was very responsive agreed to work with the contractor to maintain the driveway for Lot 5. Mr. Arnold challenged that the high turbidity in the wetland was the result of sediment coming off Lot 5 and thought it was due to road sand from the recent storm. It was also mentioned that the silt fence is inside the wetland is still in place and that Mr. Arnold said it will be removed in the spring.
 - An initial silt fence was installed incorrectly (the ground was frozen) at McDonald's septic replacement site. A straw wattle has been installed appropriately and is covering the issue for now.
- General discussion regarding snow storage (34:08 – 36:44)
 - Mr. Gorman noted that the snow was better managed on River Road this year and hoped it was a result of the information the Commission provided last year regarding snow removal and storage.
 - Mr. Gorman also followed up on the concerns regarding snow removal at the Substation and the "No Snow Stockpiling" signs were installed appropriately and snow was not stockpiled up against the wetland or any immediate concerns noted.

PROCESSING

1. 1/2/18 Meeting Minutes (36:45 – 37:53)

MOTION: Mr. Holden moved to approve the 1/2/18 Conservation Commission meeting minutes as written. Mr. Hogan seconded and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS, WHICH MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

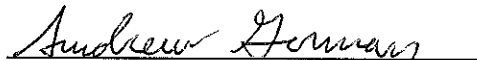
1. General discussion regarding vernal pool certification (37:53 – 39:26)
 - Mr. Gorman will prepare a PDF with aerial shots
 - Got permission from 290 Millville Rd.
2. Membership (39:27 - 40:44)
 - Mr. Hogan moved to notify Mr. Tobin by certified mail that due to excessive absence Members may consider his removal at the next scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT-NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2017


Mr. Hogan moved to adjourn the January 16th meeting of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Steele seconded and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

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Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Shelley


Andrew Gorman, Chairman


Jim Hogan, Vice Chair


Lauren Steele, Member

Rick Tobin, Member

Date

Jeffrey Shaw, Clerk


Russell Holden, Treasurer

Dale Bangma, Member