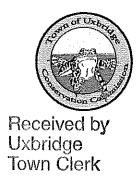




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### Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Monday March 19, 2018 Board of Selectman's Room, Uxbridge Town Hall



**Present:** Chair Andrew Gorman, Vice Chair Jim Hogan, Members Lauren Steele & Dale Bangma and Conservation Agent Melissa Danza

Absent: Clerk Jeff Shaw and Treasurer Russell Holden

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. **Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-1054,** 0 Newell Rd & 0 S. Main Street (Map 25, Parcels 2065 & 4434) (00:39 – 01:17)

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.

Discussion: (*PH opened 9.19.17*) Mr. Gorman noted the applicant formally requested to continue. The applicant is working on peer review comments regarding their application before the Planning Board.

MOTION: Mr. Hogan made a motion to continue DEP #312-1054, 0 Newell Road & 0 S Main Street until the next scheduled meeting. Mr. Bangma seconded, and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-106X, 0 Quaker St (Map 51, Parcel 2341) (01:17 – 03:57)
 Applicant: ZPT Energy Solutions, LLC Representative: LEC Environmental Consultants, Inc. Project Description: Construction of a 2 MW photovoltaic solar array and associated site work within the 100' Buffer Zone to a BVW.

Discussion: (PH opened 3.05.18) Mr. Gorman noted the applicant formally requested to continue in anticipation of a site visit. Members also selected potential dates to reschedule the site visit in case of snow.

MOTION: Mr. Hogan made a motion to continue, 0 Quaker St until the next scheduled meeting. Mr. Bangma seconded, and the motion passed by vote of 4-0-0.

3. **Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-106X,** 619 Quaker Highway (Map 45, Parcels 2998 & 3816) (03:59 – 04:20) Applicant: Kevin Powers Representative: Marc N. Nyberg Associates, Inc. Project Description: Clearing and grading within the buffer zone in preparation for later site development.

 Discussion: Mr. Hogan took over as Chair, explained Mr. Gorman is recused due to professional involvement and that this item will passed over due to lack of quorum. He also mentioned that DEP has not yet assigned a number to the project.

### REPORTED/ONGOING VIOLATIONS

- 1 395 West Street (04:20 05:43)
  - Mrs. Danza reported that the owner has not responded directly to the Commission's letter but they are
    actively working with the Zoning Enforcement Officer (who had sent a letter briefly before the
    Commission) to clean up the property. Mr. Gorman clarified that the Commission would be asking to
    remove vehicles from the buffer zone. Members agreed to keep it on the agenda and monitor progress.
- 2. Commerce Drive Map 40, Parcels 3085 & 3086 (05:44 07:03)
  - The EO for the restoration plan with some modifications was issued last week. DEP's report is still forthcoming.

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- 3. 77 Industrial Drive (07:05 08:55)
  - · A scheduled site visit was postponed due to weather and members discussed rescheduling.
- 5. Tea Party Drive (08:57 16:54)
  - An Enforcement Order was issued with a 30-day deadline to submit an NOI on 3.6.18. There has been no correspondence with the agent regarding installing the additional ECBs but a hard deadline was not established. Because of some overlapping visits, members agreed upon the importance of communicating and sharing information with the Planning Board for subdivisions and major projects within Commission's jurisdiction. The photos in 3.2.18 Graves Engineering Site Report were reviewed and Mr. Bangma recommended check dams as a possible special condition when the NOI is submitted.

#### WETLAND UPDATES/ISSUES

- 1. Open Discussion on MEPA (Massachusetts Environmental Protection Act) Submission by Campanelli development on Douglas Street (16:58 21:50)
  - Mr. Gorman explained there is a proposed Industrial Complex with warehouses and office space that may be brought before the Commission as it proposes to cross wetland boundaries. Because the proposed project exceeds certain thresholds, MEPA requires state agencies to study the environmental consequences this review occurs in advance of permitting but is not a permitting process itself. The MEPA submission, including a wetland delineation, was made available to the town's permitting boards for review and comments. During an initial meeting, Mrs. Danza provided information regarding the Commission's requirements to the Campanelli representatives. A second meeting and site visit being are planned.
- 2. Discussion of site compliance regarding active and expired Order of Conditions (21:55 25.05)
  - Members reviewed the updated Active Sites project spreadsheet created by Mrs. Danza. Everyone
    agreed on its helpfulness and the most recent version kept on Dropbox for easy reference.
- 3. New Item Not on Agenda (25.06 26:12) Mr. Hogan mentioned a report of snow being dumped on Lackey Dam Road that needs to be followed up on. Mrs. Danza emailed the report to the members and will notify and request the property owner come in to discuss at a meeting or otherwise.

### **PROCESSING**

1. 3/5/18 Meeting Minutes - passed over due to lack of quorum (26:22 - 26:27)

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

- 1. General discussion regarding vernal pool certification (26:27 27:03)
  - · Discussed possibly rescheduling due to snow.
- 2. New Item Not on Agenda (27:15 32:02)
  - Mr. Gorman wanted to mention the following items he would like to add to the agenda for further discussion by the Commission: (i) Open Space (ii) Performance review for the Conservation Agent. This led into a quick discussion about professional development offerings at MACC.

## **ADJOURNMENT-NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 2, 2018**

Ms. Hogan made a motion to adjourn the March 19, 2018 meeting of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Steel seconded and the motion passed unanimously by vote of 4-0-0.

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Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Shelley

Jeffrey Shaw, Clerk

Jim Hogan, Vice Chair

Russell Holden, Treasurer

Lauren Steele, Member

Dale-Bangma, Member

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