

MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes, September 1, 2009, 6:30 - 9:17

PRESENT: Conservation Commission members: Fred King (chairman), John Dwyer, Peter Keenan, Doug Moore, and Jessica Pfeifer.

Conservation Agent: Linda Hansen

Visitors: Planning Board members and administrator, Mark Beaudry (Meridian Assoc.), Gerry Byrne

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 08/18/09. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to accept the minutes as amended.

FINANCIAL:

- L. Hansen's salary for 08/31 to 09/11 = TBD. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to pay L. Hansen's salary.
- MACC training cost for fundamental unit 8 = \$45.00. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to pay for L. Hansen's training cost.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Notice of Intent
DEP file number 213-0228
12 – 16 Main Street
James MacDonald
The applicant requested that the hearing be continued until Sept 15 at 7:00. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to continue the hearing with the applicant's permission.
- Notice of Intent
DEP file number 213-0230
129 Parker Street
John Wolters
The applicant requested that the Commission amend the OOC and remove the conservation restriction requirement. The Commission agreed that the attachment to the OOC will be amended remove the text requiring a conservation restriction and add a statement that any work within the priority habitat region, such as the required mitigation work to the west of the parking lot, would require review and approval from Natural Heritage. The applicant will responsible for requesting permission from Natural Heritage. The agent agreed to issue the OOC on September 4, 2009.

WETLANDS ISSUES

- Riverfront projects located in the business overlay district. The Planning Board met with the Commission at 7:00 to discuss general riverfront requirements that would impact current and future projects. The Planning Board was interested in any restriction of activity within the riverfront area, including public access. For example, the MacDonald project at 12 – 16 Main Street, the Commission requested improvements to the riverfront area, however, they discouraged any development or adding impervious surfaces to the riverfront area. The applicant plans to add a small dirt trail along the top of bank and maintain access to the river using an existing path. In general, activity within the riverfront area permitted by the Commission depends on the existing conditions and would need to be a resource area improvement. The Planning Board encouraged input from the Conservation Commission on both specific projects and in general on issues related to the master plan and the business overlay district.
- Sign OOC for DEP file number 213-0232 for Andrei Ursache. The commission would like to add a condition to the attachment of the OOC that requests the applicant to submit construction documents when the site plans are finalized that includes plans for managing roof runoff and installation of erosion controls.

- Certificate of Compliance for 3 Wood Lane, DEP file number 213-008. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to issue a COC after the agent makes a site visit to this location.
- OOC extension for Taylor Road Subdivision, DEP file number 213-205 (expired June 20, 2009). The agent gave the heavy equipment operator, Gerry Byrne, permission to proceed with invasive species removal within 20 feet of the limit of work. Mr. Byrne provided the commission a request from Mr. Quirk for a two year OOC extension. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to extend the permit for two years. Mr. Byrne provided the commission with updates to the progress of the project, including the invasive removal, the future submittal of a deed for the undeveloped land, and the installation of the erosion control barrier. Further invasive removal will be done by hand and the stumps of the buckthorn will be hand applied to control further growth. The Commission requested that the exposed ground where the buckthorn was removed be seeded with New England Roadside matrix mix within the next few days.
- Review draft of revised Stormwater Management bylaw. The commission reviewed the latest draft of the stormwater management bylaw that was drafted by Peter Keenan. The Commission will accept all edits to this draft, make additional changes, and circulate.
- Release of oil at 20 Powder Mill Road linked to discharge from Jiffy Lube. The agent viewed the site of the oil release and the potential source of the oil. The remedy involves removal of an illicit discharge and DPW will be the responsible for this implementing this remedy.
- McDonald Restaurant plans to demolish the existing building and rebuild. The consultant requested an informal meeting with the Commission to discuss proposed plans.
- Enforcement order for 5 Burns Court. The Commission discussed issuance of a violation ticket to Ed Mroz for activities. The commission suggested sending a violation notice and a request for compliance prior to sending out a ticket. The violation notice will serve as the first notice. The agent will update the violation ticket to reflect the MACC example.

BUSINESS:

Discussion:

- Updates to GIS maps for open space plan. The commission will review the open space maps and discuss at a future meeting.
- The agent will be out Monday, August 31 and Thursday, Sept. 3, but in the office on Friday, Sept. 4
- Special Town Meeting scheduled for October 26, 2009. Warrant articles are due September 10.

Mail of note:

- MACC newsletter
- Acton Hydro Powdermill Dam progress report.

Meeting adjourned. 9:17