

TOWN OF MAYNARD

MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION Minutes, May 20, 2014, 6:30 – 9:08 pm Municipal Services Conference Room, Town Hall

PRESENT:

Commission Members: Fred King (chairman), John Dwyer, Jessica Pfeifer, and John Thomas, Jr.
Associate Member: Carrie O'Connell
Agent: Linda Hansen
Visitors: Frank Dentino

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 05/06/2014. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to accept the minutes as amended.
- Ms. O'Connell is registering for the Unit 7 Fundamentals class. The Commission agreed to pay for the class using the filing fee account.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Notice of Intent (two filings, both at 7:05, continued from April 15th)
DEP file numbers 213-0255 and 213-0256
Fowler Street, Lots 1 & 2
Orchard Valley Construction
Construction of two single family houses within a five lot subdivision.
The agent made a site visit on May 20th and inspected the test pits in the location of the proposed recharge trench. The soil was coarse and very sandy. No staining was observed. The agent took a number of photographs.
Outstanding issues related to the NOI application:
 1. The middle inspection port on the recharge trench should be deeper and below the depth of the trench.
 2. A copy of the final SWPPP and NPDES filing needs to be included in both the OOC and SW permits.
 3. A copy of the SW inspection form needs to be included and the number of inspections plus a maintenance form check list (and the O & M dated April 22nd still references the tree box filters).
 4. The NOI plan for both lots needs updating.The Commission discussed conditions for the OOC and the following conditions need to be included:
 1. A requirement that any subsurface explorations include a visual inspection and soil testing in areas of staining or contamination with oversight by the Agent.
 2. The findings section will include a statement that the entire subdivision needs to comply with the Maynard SW bylaw and DEP Stormwater Management Standards.
 3. A DPW representative has the option to inspect the SW subsurface installations.The agent will draft the town conditions for the Commission to review. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to continue the hearing until June 3 at 7:00.

WETLANDS/STORMWATER ISSUES:

- Fowler Street Extension Stormwater Management bylaw permit will be prepared as a separate document for the entire subdivision.
- Certificate of Compliance request for Mark's Way (DEP file numbers 213-0135 and 213-0149) A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present to issue a partial Certificate of Compliance for the most recently constructed house located at 12 Mark's Way. The developer needs to provide the parcel and lot number.
- Review and approve ORAD for 129 Parker Street.
The Commission was ready to issue the ORAD but found that the 200 foot riverfront zone and the wetland buffer zone were not depicted accurately on the plan (short by 8 feet) although sheet 4 appears to be accurate. The legend includes a wetland building setback but this is not used in Massachusetts and not defined. The Commission found that no visible MAHW indicators can be observed at this time because the pond is flooded by beaver activity. The Commission determined that the best available data to locate the stream, was the USGS topographic location of the stream which was corroborated by historical aerial photographs (before the beaver pond existed). The aerial photo from 1992 most clearly depicted the stream location. The Commission found that

the estimated inner riverfront boundary at approximately 8 foot width was reasonable representation and accepted that line as accurate on the plan.

The Commission noted that a potential vernal pool is located at wetland flags D-1 to D-9.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to issue an ORAD with the expectation that a set of new plans would correct the inaccuracies in the buffer zones.

- Restoration at 42 Crane Avenue to address Enforcement Order. The agent made a site visit and will complete a site inspection report to document that status of the project.
- Permit requirement for demolition of former Oriental Delight. The demolition and construction will require a Notice of Intent. Any interior demolition work would not require a permit from the Commission.
- Proposed restoration at 5 Walcott Street completed. The agent will prepare a site inspection report that documents the status of restoration work. The slope has not been seeded yet, but has a thin layer of hay to minimize erosion.

LAND MANAGEMENT:

- Update on surveillance cameras at Durant Pond conservation land. The agent will draft a response letter to address the contention that the trail is on Mr. Holtham's property.

BUSINESS:

- Update on Draft Stormwater Management Bylaw regulations (still pending)
- A revised CISMA small grant application was submitted and reduced by \$500. The grant needs to focus on the two riverfront properties, rather than all conservation land.
- The Russian church would like to install pavers around the church. The agent will reference the older plan and check the distance to the wetlands. The Commission agreed that an RDA would be appropriate.

Mail of note:

- Carrie O'Connell letter of intent to join Commission. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to recommend Mrs. O'Connell to the Commission.
- MassAudubon request to support Environmental Bond Bill

Meeting Adjourned: 9:08