

TOWN OF MAYNARD

MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes, July 21, 2015, 6:40 – 8:58 pm

OMS Conference Room, Town Hall

PRESENT:

Commission Members: Fred King (chairman), John Dwyer, Jessica Pfeifer, and Carrie O'Connell.

Visitors: Jim Fenton and Rich Harrington (Stamski and McNary, Inc.)

Agent: Linda Hansen

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 07/07/2015. On a motion by C. O'Connell, seconded by J. Dwyer, the Commission voted to approve the minutes as amended.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Notice of Intent, DEP file number 213-0265 (7:00, continued from 7/7/2015)
129 Acton Street Residential development
Distinctive Acton Homes
VHB submitted a peer review for the planning board that included a review of the stormwater system. A landscape plan was submitted on July 9th. Stamski and McNary plans to respond to the comments on the stormwater. Mr. King agreed with the SW comments from VHB and had the following comments:
 1. Reinforce the comment from VHB regarding that only partial information was submitted in the long term pollution prevention plan.
 2. O&M plan could use additional information including the underground inspection schedule, a description of the SW systems in greater detail and the type of inspections required for each system, and a section on troubleshooting and identifying system failure.
 3. Compliance calculations to make sure that the SW systems are properly sized.
 4. The recharge calculations need clarification, although an independent calculation by Mr. King showed the SW system should function as designed.
 5. The detention basin should not be used as infiltration credit. Based on the information provided, this credit may not be needed to comply with the infiltration requirement.
 6. Mr. King felt that no additional soil evaluation is needed. The agent witnessed three of the test pits in the field and the material was consistent in each of the three test pits.

Regarding the landscaping: The final landscape plan will be developed after the site has been cleaned up. The OOC will include a condition that the developer will work with the Commission to approve a final landscaping plan.

On a motion by J. Dwyer, seconded by J. Pfeifer, the Commission voted (4-0) to continue the hearing with the applicant's permission until August 4th, 7:00.

WETLANDS/STORMWATER ISSUES:

- COC request for DEP 213-052 (Durant & Summer subdivision). The buyer's attorney did not submit a request for a COC so this request was tabled until the request was received.
- Sign permit for Town Hall riverfront park. The Commission's comment was to include optional fall mowing in the buffer zone. The agent made changes to the special conditions based on Commission comments. On a motion by J. Dwyer, seconded by J. Pfeifer, the Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to approve the town conditions.
- Army Corps of Engineers permitting requirements for Mill and Main. The response from ACOE was that driving piling into the sediment of the Mill Pond would not trigger any ACOE permitting, although placing concrete caissons/footing to support the piling would trigger ACOE permitting. The agent will forward the meeting minutes to the Commission.

LAND MANAGEMENT:

- Rockland Ave. soccer fields irrigation plan. On a motion by C. O'Connell seconded by J. Pfeifer, the Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to approve the construction of a water line from the hydrant near the western entrance to the parking lot of the soccer field. The agent will draft a memo stating such approval with a condition that any changes to the plan, the Commission will need to be notified for further review and approval. The Commission requested a site visit by the agent with the contractors prior to construction. The Commission noted that none of the proposed work was in the wetlands jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission.
- Maintenance of water line on Silver Hill Road. The agent noted that maintenance is exempt only if the utility easement is maintained annually. The DPW hired a contractor to clear cut a 40 foot swath through the wetlands, above and beyond what is necessary. The agent learned of this work from an abutter. Notification and permitting from DPW is required for this alteration.
- AmeriCorps volunteers through SVT. Mr. Dwyer suggested we ask for their help to establish a volunteer group to help manage open space parcels.

BUSINESS:

- none

Mail of note:

- Final Decision by DEP for the matter of John Anderson and Skylight LLC
- Notice of Intent for Reeves Road, replace detention basin with drainage pipe

Meeting Adjourned: On a motion by J. Pfeifer, seconded by J. Dwyer the Commission voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:58.