

MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes, April 5, 2011, 6:30 – 8:57
Basement Common Room, Town Hall

PRESENT: Commission Members: Fred King (chairman), Peter Keenan (attended the hearings), John Dwyer, and Jessica Pfeifer.

Conservation Agent: Linda Hansen

Visitors: Steven Ventresca (Nitsch Engineering), Mark Butterline (abutter at 6 Carbone Circle), and Mark Donohoe (Acton Survey).

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 03/15/11. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (3-0) to approve the minutes of 03/15/11 as written.

FINANCIAL:

- L. Hansen's salary for 03/26 to 04/08 = \$947.60. Mr. King signed the payroll for L. Hansen.
- Conference table purchase and expenses = \$469.86. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (3-0) to approve the L. Hansen's reimbursement.
- Fred Brooks mileage = \$15.00 (for pickup and delivery of table). A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (3-0) to approve F. Brooks' mileage.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Notice of Intent, DEP file number 213-0242

Town of Maynard

High School rebuild project

Steve Ventresca provided the Commission with revised plans, calculation sheet for the outlet and an Operation and Maintenance Plan as requested by the Commission at the last hearing. The agent distributed these plans to the Commission via email. The landscaping plan now includes a note that roadside seed matrix mix will be used in the wetland buffer area. The snow storage area was also revised to limit the amount of snow storage to the west of the school. The roof runoff to feed the rain garden to date is not shown on the plan.

Mr. Butterline provided the Commission with photographs of the two retention basins along Tiger Drive. The small retention basin is filled with growth and will need some cleaning. The OOC will include the specifics as to how much cleaning will be needed. The large basin will also be inspected for maintenance requirements. Regular maintenance of the retention basins will be included in the operation and maintenance plan for the high school.

Mr. Ventresca requested the Commission close the hearing so the OOC can be included in the 90% design documents that are due May 11. (100% is June 1). A motion was made, seconded and approved by all present (4-0) to close the hearing. The agent will draft an OOC for the next meeting.

- Notice of Intent

22 Powdermill Road

Pavel Koca

Replace existing building on lot

Mr. Donohoe provided the Commission with a letter and attached table describing the revisions. A revised plan was also provided. The plan included details of and the maintenance for the stormwater management structure for the driveway. This structure will also bar vehicles entering the rear yard. A DEP file number has been issued for this project (213-0243).

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to close the hearing. The agent will draft an OOC for the next meeting.

WETLANDS/STORMWATER ISSUES:

- Wetland violation on rail trail along Acton Street (removal of rails and trees). The agent needs to issue an enforcement order for the activity adjacent to the wetlands. The area of disturbance needs to be stabilized immediately and the intermittent stream needs to be restored. The enforcement order will require an on-site meeting within the next two weeks to discuss the specifics of stabilization and restoration. Quirk will need to file a restoration plan prior to any work.
- Discussion of Goals and Objectives for Section 8 of the Open Space Plan was tabled until the next meeting.
- Beaver activity reported at 29 Dix Road (blocking culvert). The agent saw evidence of a beaver but no dam or other beaver structures. The DPW was informed. The agent noted encroachment onto Conservation property at 27 Dix Road.
- Retention basin behind 4 Reeves Road needs to be redesigned. The retention basin is part of a drainage easement. The outlet end has been covered with a brick patio and a play structure. The retention basin will probably not drain if the outlet end is buried. The Commission suggested the homeowner speak with DPW because any work in the easement will need to be coordinated with DPW.
- Fallen tree at entrance to Blue Jay Woods into yard at 5 Blue Jay Way. The agent requested the DPW help with removing the tree from the front yard.

LAND MANAGEMENT:

- Received final trail map. The Commission found that no revisions were required on the latest map. The agent will make copies and distribute.

BUSINESS:

- Groundwater and soil sampling results available for Great Road Motors at 145 Great Road as a result of a release to groundwater.
- MACC conference proceedings available for download or purchase on flash drive. The Commission will download the proceedings as needed. No need to buy the flash drive
- Revise meeting schedule for May due to town elections and town meeting. The meetings will be scheduled on the second and fourth Tuesdays in May (10th and 24th) and will be held in the Conservation Commission office.
- Update on MSMCP meeting on road salt alternatives. The agent attended the meeting. Some alternatives exist, which could be used by homeowners, however not for large scale areas. Designing road or driveways to shed water and the use of liquid salt before a snow storm are the best alternatives for the Northeast area.
- The Commission received notification that the Waltham Street bridge project will commence on or about April 25.

Mail of note:

- OAR April 2011 newsletter

Meeting adjourned. 8:57