

MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes, July 28, 2009, 6:30 – 9:36

PRESENT: Conservation Commission members Fred King (chairman; arrived at 7:58), John Dwyer, Peter Keenan, Doug Moore, and Jessica Pfeifer.

Conservation Agent: Linda Hansen

Visitors: Mark Beaudry (Meridian Associates), Luke Hurley (Gove Environmental Services), and John Sokul (attorney representing 129 Parker Street)

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 07/09. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by three of the four members present (3-0; one abstained) to accept the minutes as amended.
- Sign Doug's reappointment to CPC. The commission signed the reappointment form (the reappointment was approved during the April 7, 2009 meeting).

FINANCIAL:

- L. Hansen's salary for 07/20 to 07/31 = \$879.45 (39 hrs). A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to pay L. Hansen's salary.
- MACC Annual dues = \$397.00. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to pay the annual dues.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Notice of Intent
DEP file number 213-0230
129 Parker Street
John Wolters

Mr. Beaudry (Meridian) discussed the revisions to the project since the last meeting. The Commission inquired about recharge from the grocery store roof. According to the plan, half the roof runoff will be directed to the recharge chamber. The Commission noted that 65% of the total increased pervious surface needs to be recharged according to State stormwater regulations. The applicant agreed to revise the total recharge area to meet DEP regulations and provide new calculations prior to the next hearing.

Other changes include reducing the amount of activity in the 0 to 50 foot buffer zone, with the exception of the level spreader and the detention basin near the helipad.

The redevelopment of the site will be done in phases, beginning with the construction of the grocery store, associated parking, entrance road, and stormwater structures (Phase 1). Phase 1A will include redevelopment of the existing office building in the northwest corner of the site. The remaining construction and development of the site is considered Phase 2. The areas of proposed Phase 2 development will be loamed and seeded during Phase 1 until such time when Phase 2 is initiated. Mr. Sokol provided the Commission with the construction sequencing plan and erosion control notes.

Mr. Hurley discussed the three restoration areas. Restoration area 1 (near the entrance) was better defined from the last submittal. Restoration area 2 (western edge of parking lot) is within the 0 to 50 foot no disturb zone and a portion is owned by Town of Maynard. Both restoration areas 1 and 2 would include invasive removal and plantings of native species. Restoration area 3 includes the removal of pavement in the southwest corner of the site and placing rip-rap aprons--no plantings are proposed. The Alternative Analysis plan submitted by the applicant discusses the planting plans. Note that many of the existing trees and shrubs will remain on site, but invasive species will be removed. An updated Alternative Analysis plan with edits will be provided prior to the next hearing.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to continue to hearing until August 4th at 7:45.

WETLANDS ISSUES

- Litigation initiated for 129 Parker Street. A file review was done on July 14 by attorney Jenn Caruso and copies of Conservation Commission documents were requested. Originals were sent out for reproduction on July 16.
- DEP issued Notice of Noncompliance to 5 Burns Court. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0) to ratify the enforcement order that was sent to the applicant by the agent.
- Site visit by agent and Mr. Keenan was conducted at 15 – 17 Harrison Street. They noted (independently) the degraded condition of the detention basin connected to the duplex. The detention basin is on Conservation Commission property.

BUSINESS:

Discussion:

- ESRI Maintenance contract offered at reduced rate with open space map submittal. The maintenance contract is \$200 after MassGIS receives a copy of a GIS map with our open space parcels.
- Meeting with BOS to discuss CDP principles. This meeting has been scheduled for August 6.
- SUASCO CISMA steering committee updates. Subcommittees were formed including the outreach and education, early detection and rapid response, administration and fund raising, and control and management. The committee has \$6K for a cooperative project to address invasive species.
- Florida Road parcel application inquiries. The new owners propose to build a new zero energy home on this lot and will need to file a NOI.
- Mass Conservation Corps Crew request for summer 2010. The Commission expressed interest in requesting a crew to build a boardwalk on the Assabet River walk.

Mail of note:

- Stow Garden Club's opposition to removal of Ben Smith Dam
- MA Congress of Lake and Pond Assoc. newsletter
- Mass Wildlife News

Meeting adjourned 9:36

Submitted by L. Hansen