



TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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West Newbury Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 15, 2017

Meeting begins at 7:30pm.

Members Present: Thomas Atwood (acting chair), Richard Spieler, and Wendy Reed.
Conservation Agent Jay Smith also present.

Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- James and Cheryl Ward for 18 Norino Dr. (DEP#78-667) --- For the installation of a dock, staircase and path within the Merrimack River resource and other resource areas.

With the approval of the applicant's representative the Public Hearing was postponed indefinitely waiting for more information.

Cont. Public Hearing --- Request for Determination of Applicability --- Virginia Lane, 20 Coffin St. --- For the installation of a replacement driveway in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland at 20 Coffin St.

T. Atwood made a motion to approve the project with condition of approved erosion control decided by the agent in the field prior to starting work. Motion seconded by W. Reed with a unanimous vote of approval. (3-0)

Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Laurie Hall, 130 Georgetown Rd. (DEP#78-669) --- The applicant would like to clear trees to extend paddocks in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland at 130 Georgetown Rd. (Continuance Request).

Granted

The following six notices were reviewed together. See review and comments below.

Joe Orzell was in attendance and submitted additional plans for review. A new site visit was set for Sunday the 21st. Continued with approval from applicant.

Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Thomas Cook for 72 Ash St. (lot 1) ---

The applicant would like to construct a single-family home and associated work. Construction is proposed in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland and includes a wetland crossing.

Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Thomas Cook for 70 Ash St. (lot 2) ----

The applicant would like to construct a single-family home and associated work. Construction is proposed in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland and includes a wetland crossing.

Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Thomas Cook for 149 Middle St. (lot 3) -

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Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Thomas Cook for 151 Middle St. St. (lot

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Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Thomas Cook for 153 Middle St. (lot 5) -

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Cont. Public Hearing ---Notice of Intent --- Thomas Cook for 155 Middle St. (lot 6) -

-- The applicant would like to construct a single-family home and associated work. Construction is proposed in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland.

Public Hearing --- Notice of Intent --- Stephen and Terri Brigs, 41 Garden St. --- For a replacement septic system. The work proposed is within the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland at 41 Garden St.

William Holt (engineer) was present and explained the work. He noted that the location was the only place suitable as conferred by the Health Agent. R. Spieler made a motion to issue an Order of Conditions contingent upon approval of the wetland line and including the Standard and Standard Special conditions. Also included was a condition requiring 2 monuments 25ft. off wetland flags #2 and #4. The motion was seconded by W. Reed with a unanimous vote of approval. (3-0)

Public Hearing --- Request for Determination of Applicability --- Jeff and Ashley Davis, 107 Moulton St. --- Applicants would like to fill and regrade an area within the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland.

107 Moulton rescheduled site walk for Thursday at 8:30am.

Discussion: Kevin Lane, 5 Merrill St. --- For a discussion of the wetland line in the back yard.

Commission requested the filing of a Request for Determination of Applicability to including evidence that the area had been historically moved.

Discussion: Michael Cotee, 56 Church St. --- Request for vista pruning.

Mr. Cotee will be told to mark the vegetation that he wished to be removed and a site walk will be scheduled.

Discussion: 192 Main St. --- Enforcement Order review.

Having no response to the Enforcement Order the Commission will draft and send a letter requesting an appearance.

Discussion: 130 Georgetown Rd. site walk rescheduled at convenience of applicant.

Minutes: Review of minutes continued till next meeting