



TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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West Newbury Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 10, 2017

Members Present: Dawne Fusco (chair), Judith Mizner, Thomas Atwood, Wendy Reed and Tracey Peter. Conservation Agent Jay Smith also present.

Public Hearing --- Notice of Intent --- Robert Atwood for 15 Church St. --- For the installation of a septic system within the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland.

John Hargreaves (Engineer) was present and explained the project. A revised plan was submitted reflecting changes made to the wetland line in the field. The A line on the plan was not reviewed or approved. Erosion control was marked on the plan at the meeting. After discussing bushes and natural vegetation markers J. Mizner made a motion to approve the project with the Standard and the following Special conditions: All work shall conform to the following approved plans and documents: Plan to Accompany a Notice of Intent, 15 Church St., Revised, 6/30/2017. Due to the proximity of the development to wetlands and in order to maintain the integrity of the resource area, a naturally vegetated area extending ten (10) feet from the wetlands delineated in the above referenced plan shall remain in place, undisturbed. Permanent markers of granite or similar materials chosen by the applicant and approved by the WNCC shall be placed along the 10ft. offset to the wetland line across from wetland flags #B3, B4, B5, B7, B9, B11 and #B14. There shall be no application of fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, insecticides or other chemicals in the wetlands. Plantings may be allowed in the naturally vegetated area by submitting a planting plan to be approved by the Commission. Pesticides, insecticides and herbicides shall not be used on site within 100 feet of a resource area. Fertilizer used for landscaping and lawn care shall be low in nitrogen content and shall be used in moderation. Erosion control measures shall be installed by the applicant and shall be inspected and approved by the WNCC prior to any other work under this Order. Erosion control shall consist of staked silt fence backed by hay bales installed using West Newbury guidelines. Fill materials outside the septic system fill limit but in the buffer zone shall be ordinary borrow, free from masonry stumps, wood, tree branches, organic materials (other than topsoil), construction debris, refuse, trash and other similar

materials. A construction schedule shall be submitted to the WNCC at least 72 hours prior to the commencement of any site work. Materials to be stockpiled shall be placed at least 75ft. from wetlands and surrounded by erosion control. The motion was seconded by D. Fusco. Vote in favor was 4-0-1 with Tracey Peter abstaining. OC will be issued after the bylaw payment is received.

Cont. Discussion: Bernadette Gibson, Ocean Meadows --- Signage for horses and Steve Greason

Bernadette Gibson, Denise Parsons and Steve Greason (Open space) were present. The Commission discussed the trails in Ocean Meadows and sending a letter to the Selectmen asking for funding for signs that people must clean up after their animals, including horses. The deed can be sent if needed. S. Greason suggested ways of making signs inexpensively

Cont. Discussion: Steve Greason --- Creation of new trails.

Mr. Greason was told to not create new trails in town until he came to a meeting and obtained any required approvals from the Commission. Mr. Greason asked for copies of the Trail Management plan. Mr. Greason stated that he will file an NOI when needed as required.

Cont. Discussion: 192 Main St. --- Enforcement issue.

Because the Commission received no response to certified letters and enforcement orders from the owners, the Commission decided to record an Enforcement Order at the Registry of Deeds.

Discussion: Stuart Orloff , 18 Kimball Rd. --- Request to cut wetland once per year.

After discussion the Commission decided to ask Mr. Orloff to file a Request for Determination of Applicability to clarify the area(s) he wanted to cut.

Discussion: Cottage Advisors for Sullivan's Ct. --- COC request.

Site walk set for July 23rd. at 8:00am.

Discussion: Cottage Advisors for Drakes Landing, 365 Main St. --- Comments for the Planning Board.

The Commission agreed not to comment further until a formal filing was made.

Other Business:

Discussion: Dan D'Aquila, 36 Way to the River --- COC Request.

The new home owners and James Scanlon (Engineer) were present. Work not authorized by the Order of Conditions was noted on the as-built plan as well as minor unauthorized clearing done by the new homeowners. Suggestions were made concerning signage to mark non-disturb areas and allowing cut areas to revegetate. J. Scanlon will produce a new plan and narrative to address the deficiencies.

Minutes:

The minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

The next scheduled Con Com meeting **Monday, July 24, 2017**