

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION 70 EAST MAIN STREET NORTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02766 508-285-6301

Norton Conservation Commission

August 26, 1991

## Attendance

Julian Kadish Robert Medeiros Peter MacLean Leo Yelle Jeff Houde Earl Willcott Leonard Silvia

## Minutes

The bills were presented for payment approval. Earl Willcott made a motion; seconded by Jeff Houde, to approve payment of the bills. Approved.

Members reviewed the draft minutes from July 22, 1991. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Earl Willcott, to approve the minutes as presented. Approved.

Robert Medeiros removed himself from the meeting.

Members reviewed a proposed replication plan presented to them at the meeting by Robert Wolf, W & G Development Co.

The members requested to see the following information on a plan: proposed final contours of lot, and a description of original soils.

The Conservation Director reported that Paul Saccocia has requested, in writing, to withdraw his Notice of Intent application. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Houde, to accept the request for withdrawal. Approved.

Robert Medeiros returned to the Public Meeting.

John Martins presented a proposed project which included the construction of a single family home, septic system, and grading. Portions of the grading were proposed within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a vegetated wetland. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Houde, to close the review of the project. Approved. Robert Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Leo Yelle, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability. Approved.

Kathi Gilmore presented a proposed project which included the construction of a horse barn within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a vegetated wetland. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Houde, to close the review of this project. Approved. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Peter MacLean, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability, and that approval is given to add a water line from the house to the barn. Approved.



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Members reviewed a proposed wetlands replication plan for Arthur Amaral (#250-230). Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Leo Yelle, to accept the replication plan, dated August 18, 1991. Approved. The members advised Mr. Amaral that he will not have to post a bond if he satisfactorily constructs the floodplain and wetland replication areas prior to starting any work on the lots.

The Conservation Director recommended that a one-year Extension Permit be issued to O'Loughlin Construction Co. for Leigh High Estates, #250-178. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Houde, to issue said document. Approved.

The Conservation Director recommended that a one-year Extension Permit be issued to Douglas King Builders for River Crossing, #250-173. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Earl Willcott, to issue said document. Approved.

The Conservation Director recommended that a one-year Extension Permit be issued to Folkman and Co. for Larson Farms, #250-179. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Earl Willcott, to issue said document. Approved.

The Conservation Director reported that lot 19, Margaret Drive and lot 48, Fordham Drive are not yet stabilized. There are exposed soils eroding toward the wetland at the back of each lot.

The Conservation Director recommended that a partial Certificate of Compliance be issued to South Washington Street Realty Trust for lot 5, Beverly Lane, #250-166. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Earl Willcott, to issue said document. Approved.

Members reviewed the draft Conservation Restriction for lot 4, West Hodges Street. Leo Yelle made a motion, seconded by Peter MacLean, to accept the document. Approved.

The members decided to wait until they have more information before making a decision regarding A. Waterman's proposed donation of land off Maple Street. Peter MacLean made a motion, seconded by Leo Yelle, to hold on the decision. Approved.

The Conservation Director reported that Carl Natho, of D.E.P., told Mr. Burgess, a South Washington Street landscaper, that he does not need a permit from D.E.P. to accept and compost aquatic weeds.

The draft Bid Package for a "middleman" to rent out the aquatic weed harvesting equipment for the Town was distributed to members. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Conservation Director recommended that an Enforcement Order be issued to Melvin and Annie Dorrance to reinforce the written Cease and Desist that was issued to them on July 25, 1991 for tree-cutting and clearing that was being conducted within wetlands and within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of said wetland. Tree cutting and clearing was being performed on August 26, 1991 in violation of the Cease and Desist. Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Leo Yelle, to issue the Enforcement Order. Approved.

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The Conservation Director reported that Norton (one of four towns in Massachusetts) has achieved enough credit points, through public awareness projects and other efforts put forth by the Conservation office, to achieve a 5% reduction on residents' flood insurance premiums this year. A greater reduction may be achieved in subsequent years by successfully completing additional activities.

Policy sheets were distributed to members.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

