



CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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Monday, May 12, 1997
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Attendance

Jeff Houde (Chairman), Dana Rappaneau,
Bob Medeiros, Leonard Silvia, Patrick Corcoran,
Carlos Fragata (Director)

Julian Kadish and Ed Breault (Vice-Chairman) were absent.

Minutes

The members reviewed the Bills Payable Sheet. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to pay the bills. Approved.

The members reviewed the draft minutes of March 24, 1997, April 14, 1997 & April 29, 1997. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Leonard Silvia, to accept the minutes of March 24, 1997, April 14, 1997 & April 29, 1997. Approved.

The members reviewed a **Request for a Determination of Applicability - Joseph Bosh - parcel 4-01 (assessors map 14) 79 Richardson Avenue** for the construction of a single family dwelling, subsurface sewage disposal system and associated site grading within the 100 ft. buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. Heather Fitton represented the applicant. The Commission had a question regarding the leaching trench around the septic system. Leonard Silvia made a motion, seconded by Dana Rappaneau, to close the public meeting. Bob Medeiros abstained from voting. Approved. Dana Rappaneau made a motion, seconded by Leonard Silvia, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability with conditions. Bob Medeiros abstained from voting. Approved.

The members reviewed a **Request for a Determination of Applicability - Roland Roberge - parcel 172, bldrs. lot 33 (assessors map 14) 39 Laura Lane** - for proposed plans to redefine the wetlands line and to bring in fill within the buffer zone to level the lot up to the wetland edge. Leonard Silvia made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to close the public meeting. Bob Medeiros abstained from voting. Approved. Dana Rappaneau made a motion, seconded by Leonard Silvia, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability with conditions. Bob Medeiros abstained from voting. Approved.

The members reviewed a **Request for a Determination of Applicability - Neil Young - lot 1, parcel 162 (assessors map 12) 29 Lincoln Street** for proposed plans to install a 19 ft. long, 12" equalizer pipe within an existing driveway in order to prevent flooding and to remove fill piles from the buffer zone of a wetland and spreading it in an area upgradient from the removal area. Neil Young represented himself at the public meeting and stated that he would create a berm and plant arborvitae along the property lines between his property and John and Peggy Martino's (abutters to 25 Lincoln Street) property to prevent water runoff from entering their property. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Dana

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Rappaneau, to close the public meeting. Approved. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Dana Rappaneau, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability with conditions. Approved.

The members reviewed a **Request for a Determination of Applicability - Creative Homes, Inc. - parcel 57 (assessors map 24) 116 South Washington Street** for proposed plans to construct a single family house, driveway, garage, septic system and associated grading. The house, garage, driveway and some grading are located within the 100 ft. buffer zone of the wetland. The septic system components are located outside of the 100 ft. buffer zone. Bill Humphries of Creative Homes, Inc. represented the applicant. Mr. Humphries stated that he would pull the driveway back 6 feet upland. Audrey Ferrante of 108 South Washington Street, an abutter to the project, had concerns with the project and did not want trees to be cut. Pete Brooks of 113 South Washington Street questioned the driveway placement and water runoff. Leonard Silvia made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to close the public meeting. Approved. Dana Rappaneau made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability with conditions for the driveway to be moved 6 feet further upland.

The members reviewed a request for an **Extension Permit - file #250-211 - Town of Norton, Board of Selectmen - Barrows Street Bridge**. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Leonard Silvia, to issue a 2 year Extension permit. Approved.

Regarding modifications to the Special Permit #112 for the **Norton Country Club Condominiums, Phase II project**, Larry Tilton, of Tilton Associates, was present and stated that the Order of Conditions that was issued after the April, 1996 Notice of Intent filing required that the drainage flow away from the wetland. This was done but later it was found that the main drain line was too small and the revised plan before the Commission reflected 4 new changes as follows: 1. A new 12" drain line added because the existing pipe was too small, 2. A new discharge was added into the existing crushed stone swale/intermittent stream, 3. Two additional equalizer pipes from Thurston's property and south under and across the road (total of 3 equalizer culverts) and 4. To dig a drainage swale and rip rap Mr. Thurston's driveway and add fill to Mr. Thurston's property to allow the street equalizer pipe to work. Mr. Tilton stated that the Planning Board had not yet approved of the changes. Also, that at the April 22, 1996 Conservation Commission meeting, responses to the May 2, 1996 letter and hydrolics calculations and revised plans dated April 30, 1996 were in error because they did not reflect that the existing pipe size and level was inadequate. Mr. Morrow had concerns with flooding to his property. The Commission, because of abutter's concerns of flooding, asked that Tilton Associates at the May 27, 1997 Conservation meeting, present a swale along the west side of the existing road to drain the land. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to continue the plan change discussion until the May 27, 1997 Conservation meeting at 7:30 pm. Approved.

The members reviewed a **Jurisdictional Opinion Request** filed by Mike Tavares for **bldrs. lot 6, parcel 156 (assessors map 18) 7 Washburn Street** for yard work. It was decided that a Request for a Determination of Applicability would have to be filed.

The members discussed file **#SE250-305 - Strawstone Lane** in regards to the stabilization of the yard and the existing wooden retaining wall instead of the concrete one proposed. No action was taken.

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Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to put the Cross Circle Subdivision project on the agenda. Approved. Ralph Maloon of RIM Engineering was present and stated that the existing detention basin is wet and the applicant proposes to incorporate a wet basin into the design. The Commission felt that it was a good design. Further discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

The Director stated that on May 21, 1997 he would be speaking with the Selectmen to discuss boating use and accesses on Lake Winnecunnet and Norton Reservoir.

The Director stated that the proposed Rivers Act Regulations comment period deadline was on June 16, 1997 and that if the Commission wanted to view and/or comment on them, a copy would be provided for them.

Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 pm. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted


Carlos T.B. Fragata
Conservation Director

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