



CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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Monday, October 25, 1999
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Attendance

Patrick Corcoran (Chairman), Jeff Houde (Vice-Chairman),
Ed Breault, Leonard Silvia, Bob Medeiros, Dana Rappaneau,
Jennifer Carlino, Director

Julian Kadish was absent

Minutes

The members reviewed the draft minutes of **October 12, 1999**. Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to accept the minutes. Approved.

The members reviewed the Bills Payable Sheet. Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Dana Rappaneau, to pay the bills. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – **Gregory Mills – parcels 168, 170 & 175-01 (assessors map 4) Newcomb Street – (continued from the 9/28/99 & 10/12/99 meetings)** - for proposed plans to construct a subdivision roadway with associated infrastructure, stormwater management system, site grading and utilities within the buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. Patrick Corcoran read a letter received by LEC Consultants requesting a continuance of this project until the November 22, 1999 meeting. Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault to continue the public hearing until the November 22, 1999 meeting at 7:40 pm. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – **Town of Norton, Highway Department – Pine Street** – to hear the proposal to replace a stone culvert on Pine Street with a 30" concrete pipe within the riverfront area of Dora Brook. **(post facto)** Patrick Corcoran read a letter received by Keith Silver, Highway Superintendent, requesting a continuance of this public hearing. Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Bob Medeiros, to continue the public hearing until the November 8, 1999 meeting at 7:50 pm. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – **Town of Norton, Highway Department – Lincoln Street** – to hear a proposal to replace a stone culvert on Lincoln Street with a 12" concrete pipe and also to install 5 catch basins with 500' of concrete pipe to alleviate drainage problems with 100 feet of wetlands and an intermittent stream. **(post facto)** Ed Breault made a motion, seconded by Dana Rappaneau, to continue the public hearing until the November 8, 1999 meeting at 7:51 pm. Approved.

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The members reviewed a Request for a Determination of Applicability – **The NLS Group, c/o Bob Grace – parcel 171 (assessors map 26) 1 John Scott Boulevard** – for proposed plans to construct a Communications tower in the buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. Bob Grace from the NLS Group was present at the public meeting along with Leo Garneau of Northeastern Consulting Forestry Services to explain the project briefly. The Director stated that there was a previous filing for this lot. She also stated that the tower should have a fall zone of at least 100 feet. It was the consensus of the Commission that this was not a Conservation issue. The Director conducted the site inspection and found large piles of loam next to the wetland boundary. When the tower is erected, the loam shall not enter the wetland. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Leonard Silvia, to close the public meeting. Approved. Jeff Houde made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to issue a negative Determination of Applicability as long as the work is done according to the submitted plans. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – **Marilynn Realty Trust – parcels 307, 218, 304-306 (assessors map 4) Newcomb Street (Potter's Circle Subdivision)** – for proposed plans to construct a road and utilities for an eight lot residential subdivision within 100 feet of wetlands. Ralph Maloon of RIM Engineering represented the applicant at the public hearing and submitted a letter and revised plans in response to a letter received from the Director. Mr. Maloon was asked to clarify items about the retention basin. A discussion regarding the two pipes at the bottom of the basin ended with members directing Ms. Carlino to send a letter to the Planning Board suggesting removal of the pipes and elimination of the access drive. As much vegetation as possible will be retained around the pond. The 100 year storm will not be contained in this BMP and the Planning Board has not approved the plan yet. Dana Rappaneau made a motion seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the public hearing until the November 8, 1999 meeting at 8:00 pm. Approved.

The members reviewed a request for a full Certificate of Compliance for **DET. #632 – David V. Welch, Fralo Corp. – parcel 103, bldrs. lot 71 (assessors map 28) 4 Garret Drive**. Patrick Corcoran asked the Director how the lot looked and she stated that it was ready for a Certificate of Compliance. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to issue the full Certificate of Compliance. Approved.

The members reviewed a request for a full Certificate of Compliance for **DET. #590 – Douglas King Bldrs., Inc. – lot 4 (assessors map 10) Cherry Tree Drive**. The Director stated that the lot was ready for a Certificate of Compliance. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to issue the Certificate of Compliance. Approved.

The members reviewed a request for an Extension Permit for **#250-293 – William Slattery – lots 3 & 4 (assessors map 31) Harvey Street**. The Director inspected the bogs and did not find any violations. She recommended a 3-year extension. Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Leonard Silvia, to issue a 3-year Extension Permit. Approved.

New Business

The Chairman read a letter sent to the Town Manager by Barbara Hyland, State Representative, informing him that the Governor had signed the Bill which would allow the transfer of land near the Norton Reservoir to be used during the dredging process.

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Jennifer Carlino, Director stated that a letter was received by Joel Lerner of Conservation Services in Boston which states that since self-help grant money was received for the Reservoir any gravel that is removed from the Reservoir during the dredging project up to \$1,000,000 of **income** has to be used for acquisition of parcels along the Reservoir or improving access to the Reservoir. It was the consensus of the Commission that because of this stipulation, the Norton Reservoir dredging project would come to a halt discouraging developers from taking on a non-profit deal. Ed Breault suggested finding out exactly what was meant by the word **income** in the letter received from Joel Lerner. The members directed Ms. Carlino to call Mr. Lerner to inquire whether the \$1,000,000 is net or gross income.

The Director stated she received a memo from Mr. McCabe, Town Manager. The memo gave the Tax Title Land located at Newland Street (Assessors map 2, Parcel 21) to Conservation Commission.

The Director asked the Commission if there were any Brownfields in Norton. The members replied with a few locations. One is across the street from Ashmont Supply, one is behind Dunkin Donuts on Route 123 and one at 370 Construction.

Bob Medeiros made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer Carlino
Conservation Director

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