

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 70 EAST MAIN STREET NORTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02766-2320

(508) 285-0275 Fax (508) 285-0277 NORTON OF PHOSOS

Monday, May 6, 2002 7:30 pm

Attendance

Robert Medeiros (Chairman), Neil Linehan Dana Rappaneau, Kathleen Giblin Jennifer Carlino, Director

Julian Kadish (Vice-Chairman), Ed Breault & Jeff Houde were absent.

Minutes

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

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – K.G.M. Custom Homes, Inc. – (#250-515) - Parcels 103 & 103-02 (assessors map 26) South Worcester Street – (cont. from the March 11, 2002, April 8, 2002 & April 22, 2002 mtgs.) - for proposed comprehensive permit plans to construct a residential subdivision, roadway, grading and stormwater management areas, portions of which occur within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, Wading River riverfront area and the 100-foot buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. Deborah Burgess, an abutter and representative for the group Norton Conservation Action Focus Team (NCAFT) was first to speak at the public hearing. Bob Medeiros told Mrs. Burgess that the Commission had replied to her letters including the letter that was sent to the Board of Selectmen, then to the Commission and then back to the Selectmen. Bob Medeiros stated to Mrs. Burgess that the purpose of this public hearing was to answer questions contained in one of her letters. She replied by saying that she would rather wait until she had a chance to review the letter that was sent to the Board of Selectmen from the Commission. Mrs. Burgess stated that under the Freedom of Information Act, she would like copies of the Conservation Commission Minutes of March 11, 2002, April 8, 2002, April 22, 2002 and tonight's. Bob Medeiros stated that he would like to address the questions in the letter sent to the Commission by NCAFT dated April 8, 2002. (The letter is attached to the minutes. The questions were read to the Commission by Gail Robinson and the answers were read by Bob Medeiros. Megan Raymond of LEC, representative for the applicant, stated that she would like to have the members vote to close the public hearing at this time. Deborah Burgess objected to the closing of the public hearing, stating that she needed more time to review the

Norton Conservation Commission Monday, May 6, 2002 Minutes, page 2.

information in the letter of April 30, 2002 to the Selectmen from the Commission members. Bob Medeiros stated that he would like to review the response of the Consulting Engineer for this project at the Zoning Board of Appeal meeting for this project before closing the public hearing. He further stated that if this public hearing closes tonight, the Order of Conditions will be extremely lengthy. Deborah Burgess stated that there were many missing wetland flags on this site and Bob Medeiro stated that the flags had been replaced. Deborah Burgess stated that she thought the Conservation Agent should not be re-flagging the site for LEC. Megan Raymond stated that LEC did the re-flagging according to a site inspection with the agent. Deborah Burgess stated it would not be fair to close the public hearing without providing the abutters with a copy of the Homeowner's Manual in regards to maintenance of the detention basins. Jennifer Carlino stated that according to the Wetland Protection Act (WPA) regulations, at the first hearing for a project the Commission may continue the project, then at the next public hearing, the Commission must approve or deny the project, or the public hearing may be continued again with permission from the applicant. Deborah Burgess asked what regulations stated this information. Jennifer Carlino stated it was in the MACC Handbook and NPA regulations. Deborah Burgess asked Jennifer Carlino to show her where this information was printed. Bob Medeiros asked Jennifer Carlino to take a few minutes and go get the book which contains the information requested by Ms. Burgess. Neil Linehan proceeded to read aloud the WPA regulations. The applicant requested to close the public hearing. Neil Linehan made a motion, seconded by Kathleen Giblin, to close the public hearing. Approved.

Jennifer Carlino stated that the Lincoln Woods Article would be on the upcoming Special Town Meeting and if it passes the closing would be scheduled for May 20, 2002. She further stated that all the grant funds have to be used before June 1, 2002 and the reimbursement letter would have to be mailed before that date. Neil Linehan made a motion, seconded by Kathleen Giblin, to sign a Purchase Order in the event that the article is approved at the Town Meeting so they wouldn't all have to come to Town Hall to sign it later. Approved. Dana Rappaneau made a motion, seconded by Neil Linehan, to add this Purchase Order to the Bills Payable. Approved.

Dana Rappaneau made a motion, seconded by Kathleen Giblin, to adjourn the public meeing at 9:26 pm. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Carlino

Conservation Director

JC/pmb