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**Monday May 8, 2023**

**6:30 pm**

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**Minutes**

**Attending**

Julian Kadish, Chairperson  
Lisa Carrozza, Vice Chairperson  
Mark Fernandes  
Ron O'Reilly  
Dan Pearson  
Tamah Vest

John Thomas, Conservation Dir.

**Absent**

Megan Harrop,  
Conservation Secty.

**6:30pm Open Meeting**

**I. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS**



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system. Facendola showed a culvert detail. Kadish: John, do we agree that everything has been addressed. Thomas: I have provided the Commission with environmental suggestions. By and large the regulations are met, but there are details. Carrozza: Is your frontage on Dean Street and John Scott Blvd., but where is 301 S. Worcester Street on your plan? Goddard: Should we change the labeling? Facendola: The Planning Board endorsed the plan on page 2, but it hasn't been.... Facendola: 17.66 acres. Carrozza: the NCC must keep track of the addresses because there could be cumulative changes in time. We must be sure about where the frontage is. Thomas: I'll put in some language regarding the riverfront area. Carrozza: Regarding the common driveway, how is the O&M going to work? Facendola: A homeowner's association composed of the owners of the 4 lots. It would also concern itself with the retention basin. The plans will be finalized when the ownership is. Each house will receive information specific to their part of the O&M. Carrozza: So their O&M will reflect that there will be a very expensive water quality system that they will need to maintain? Facendola: Yes. Carrozza: How will the owners know the VP will need to be protected in perpetuity, e.g., over the change of owners? Goddard: We could use signage, e.g., at 25' intervals; I have found that effective. I'm open to suggestions. Carrozza: Is there a detail regarding the wall? Please add a condition to include it, John Thomas. Facendola: We would like to put a silt sock at the base of the wall. Carrozza: We need plans for that wall, not just a reference. Kadish: Questions? John, do we need more time? Thomas: If the Commission feels comfortable closing, I'm fine with it, but I'm not a civil engineer, but keep in mind we're in an ACEC here. Carrozza: Mr. Goddard, what do you think? Goddard: As there is no filling of the pool, I think were fine regarding it. The other question would be that of the stream crossing and whether the movement of enough animals would be taken care of. I think the project meets environmental standards criteria. Carrozza: Could the NCC be provided with suggestions for wetland signage, considering especially whether they would be theft-proof? Goddard expressed that he would be happy to help out there. Carrozza: We don't want that signage up against the vernal pool. Goddard suggesting using concrete at the base of 4' signs. Why don't we specify a split rail fence. Carrozza: Please detail that in the plans. What if you just connected the retaining walls (rather than have a wall with a fence behind). Nora Jestus of 309 S. Worcester Street, an abutter: Regarding a wildlife review, this area is a tremendous "highway" for animals, but they are already cut off by John Scott Blvd. What about migrating animals. Goddard: Wildlife evaluations only involve resource areas and, as such, probably wldn't change how this site affected wildlife. I'm comfortable with the design regarding the design. Jestus: I've hiked quite a bit in the area and it seems that there's very little land left that's not underwater save the area that this project would build on. Is there a second vernal pool in the vicinity? Kadish: Motion to close? We'll be reviewing an OOC on the 5/22 meeting.

Motion to close the public hearing.		Aye		Abstain	Nay
1. Carrozza	<i>carries unanimously</i>	Kadish	O'Reilly	0	0
2. Fernandes		Carrozza	Pearson		
		Fernandes	Vest		

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right up to the corner of the leaching field, keeping the snow removal place in mind. Carrozza had a suggestion for item 16. Thomas: Visual barrier as required by the Commission.

Motion to issue the OOC as discussed		Aye		Abstain	Nay
1. Carrozza	<i>carries unanimously</i>	Kadish	O'Reilly	0	0
2. Fernandes		Carrozza	Pearson		
		Fernandes	Vest		

### III. REVIEW DRAFT MINUTES

- 4/10/23
- 4/24/23

### V. OLD BUSINESS/ NEW BUSINESS


- Report from Staff

Thomas: We have some projects coming in but nothing has solidified yet. Carrozza: On 98–104 Pine Street, there is [? cracking].

**Adjournment at: 7:55 PM**

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