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Monday, March 12, 2001 7:30 pm

Attendance

Bob Medeiros (Vice-Chairman), Patrick Corcoran Dana Rappaneau, Ed Breault, Julian Kadish Jennifer Carlino, Director

Jeff Houde and Leonard Silvia were absent

Minutes

The members reviewed the draft minutes of **April 25, 2000**. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the minutes until the next regular meeting of Monday, March 26, 2001. Approved.

The members reviewed the draft minutes of **June 27, 2000**. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the minutes until the next regular meeting of Monday, March 26, 2001. Approved.

The members reviewed the draft minutes of **August 14, 2000**. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the minutes until the next regular meeting of Monday, March 26, 2001. Approved.

The members reviewed the draft minutes of **September 11, 2001**. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the minutes until the next regular meeting of Monday, March 26, 2001. Approved.

The members reviewed the draft minutes of October 23, 2001. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Dana Rappaneau, to accept the minutes as written. Approved.

The members reviewed the draft minutes of **November 13, 2001.** Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the minutes until the next regular meeting of Monday, March 26, 2001. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – L & M Custom Builders/Brian Mulligan – (#250-471) parcel 5 (assessors map 1 – Newland Street (con't. from the January 8, 2001, January 22, 2001, February 12, 2001 & February 26, 2001 meetings) – for proposed plans to install a stormwater management system for a 9-lot subdivision. Treated stormwater is proposed to be discharged to an existing pond through parcels 8 & 9 of Assessor's Map 2, and then discharged to a wetland. Bob Medeiros stated that the applicant had sent a letter to the Conservation Commission requesting a

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continuance of this project until the next regular meeting. Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to continue the project until the next regular meeting of Monday, March 26, 2001 at 7:40 pm. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – K.G.M. Custom Homes, Inc. – parcel 170 (assessors map 4) 8 Wetherell Way (con't. from the January 22, 2001, February 12, 2001 & February 26, 2001 meetings) – for proposed plans to construct an access driveway for a single family dwelling with associated septic system, private well site grading and landscaping, portions of which will occur within the 100 foot buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland and certified vernal pool. Brian Mills was present at the public hearing. Megan Raymond of LEC represented the applicant at the public hearing. She stated that at the last hearing, a continuance was requested in order to receive comments from the Natural Heritage and Endanagered Species Program (NHESP). She further stated that had talked with Pat Huckery of NHESP on March 7th and Pat Huckery stated that the NHESP would not be commenting on this project because it does not fall within their jurisdiction. Dana Rappaneau made a motion, seconded by Ed Breault, to close the public hearing. Approved. Ed Breault made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran to accept and sign the Order of Conditions as written. Approved.

The members reviewed a Notice of Intent – Jamie M. Schofield – parcel 172 (assessors map 12) 54 Lincoln Street – for proposed plans to construct a garage within 100 feet of wetlands. Jamie Schofied was present at the public hearing. He explained that his intentions are to construct a 32' x 24' garage within the buffer zone of a wetland. The Director asked Mr. Schofield if he had received a DEP file number for this project and he replied that he had not. Dana Rappaneau asked the Director how the grades were in this area. Jennifer stated that right at the back of the house the property drops down fast and then levels off. It was the consensus of the Commission to have Mr. Schofield move the silt fence a little farther away from the garage to give more room to manouver. Ed Breault made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran, to close the public hearing. Approved. Julian Kadish made a motion, seconded by Patrick Corcoran to accept and sign the Order of Conditions as written but not to issue it until a file number has assigned by DEP. Approved.

Alice Guiney, PGA re: Conservation Restriction at the Golf Course.

Alice Guiney explained that this conservation restriction runs along the Great Brook between the Golf Course and the Office Park and was granted to the Land Preservation Society. Jennifer Carlino explained that the Park at Great Woods signs the restriction, then the Conservation Commission, after which it is sent to the Board of Selectmen for their signatures. It will then be sent to Joel Lerner of Conservation Services in Boston to be signed and accepted.

The members reviewed a request for an Extension Permit for file #250-412 - Joseph P. DiFiore, Jr., Tr. of Key Realty Trust - lots 10, 10-01 & 195 (map 35) East Hodges Street. The Director did not recommend extending this project. She stated that the Order of Conditions were never recorded and that the soils have not been stabilized. She further stated that they have not been complying with the Order of Conditions and have not built many cranberry bogs, Patrick Corcoran made a motion, seconded by Dana Rappaneau, not to extend the Order of Conditions for this project. Approved.

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Other Business:

Jennifer Carlino explained that the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs gave Norton a Taunton River Watershed sign. Patrick Corcoran explained that the Selectmen requested the Conservation Commission suggest a location for it. It was their suggestion to put the sign on Route 140 South heading towards Mansfield near the Cumberland Farms Store.

The Director stated she has not received any more information from the Selectmen on the Norton Reservoir Dredging project except for a copy of a letter sent to the Town Manager, Chris McCabe by Tom Jenkins of Baystate Environmental Consultants, Inc. explaining the additional \$86,000.

The Director stated she and Bob Medeiros had gone to the Finance Committee meeting and explained why the funds in the Weed Harvester Maintenance Account should continue to be included in the Conservation budget. Ed Breault mentioned also that the company that manufactured the weed harvester had gone out of business and all the parts needed to repair the harvester were specialty items and special orders.

The Director stated that John Mitchelmore had sent 2 draft copies of the Conservation Restriction for Longwood Estates and she had made a couple of changes.

Jennifer Carlino questioned the board about the operation of the dams to be in the Emergency Action Plan. Julian Kadish asked if the gates had to be adjusted at all. He said that the original plan was to lower the gates before the spring thaw, close the gates at the end of spring, keep the gates up in the summer, lower the gates in August in case of a hurricane. Julian suggested that the gates be left at one level year round.

Dana Rappaneau stated that the Chartley Pond dam is maintained at one level year round. The Office of Dam Safety suggested not to touch the boards at the dam because the dam is in need of repair.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Carlino

Conservation Director

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