

MINUTES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LAND USE MEETING ROOM
November 18, 2019

OPENING: The regular scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission opened at 7:00 p.m. Attendance is as follows:

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| Christopher Pratt, Chairman | Present |
| Dave MacWilliams, Vice Chairman | Present |
| Mehmet Mizanoglu, Commissioner | Present |
| Brian Drenen, Commissioner | Absent |
| Brian Pranka, Commissioner | Present |
| Jerry Patria, Commissioner | Present |
| Maryssa Cook-Obregon | Absent |
| Dennis Clark, Coordinator | Present |

7:00 Chairman Pratt opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and announced that the meeting was being recorded.

MINUTES

Vice Chairman MacWilliams made a motion to accept the minutes of November 4, 2019. Commissioner Mizanoglu seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr. Ryan Nelson, R. Levesque & Associates

NOI 13 North Pond DEP #292-0363 Chairman Pratt opened the continuation of the public hearing. Mr. Nelson presented a revised plan that included vinyl sheathing in addition to the silt fencing for erosion control. The Commission requested that the wording be changed to have the vinyl sheathing remain permanent, and also that the length of the sheathing to be increased along the shore line. Construction will not scheduled to begin until weather permits in the spring. As this is a major project, the Commissioners agreed to research a performance bond cost to insure the amount required will be sufficient. The Commissioners requested that the plan should include showing the equipment access through the neighboring property, and also show which trees are designated to be removed. Commissioner Patria made a motion approve a continuation of the hearing until December 2, 2019. Commissioner Mizanoglu seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Brad Martin, Attorney
Mr. Mike & Mrs. Deb Massarelli, Property Owners
Pavel Duducal, Applicant

RDA 92 Davis Road Chairman Pratt opened the public hearing by reading the legal ad as posted in the Westfield News on 11/08/19. Mr. Duducal is requesting to conduct improvements on a right-of-way that crosses a brook and is partially in a buffer area to a bordering vegetated wetland to access his property. Mr. Duducal explained that there were tree branches on both sides of the roadway that were scratching his vehicles and would like to improve the access with additional gravel. Eventually Mr. Duducal plans on constructing a dwelling on his property with access from College Highway. Mr. Massarelli stated that he had a previous environmental issue on the right-of-way that resulted in an Enforcement Order to clean up what his neighbor did on his property while working on the right-of-way. The current 50 foot right-of-way has approximately 10 to 17 foot wide roadway. Commissioner Pranka suggested that a site visit be conducted to get a better understanding of the scope of the proposed work. Vice Chairman MacWilliams made a motion to approve a continuance of the Public Hearing until December 2, 2019. Commissioner Mizanoglu seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/REVIEW/ACTION ITEMS

6 Ferrin Lane (Lot #2) DEP# 292-0248 Request for a Certificate of Compliance

Coordinator Clark conducted a site visit at the property and noted that there has been is no activity inside of the 50 foot buffer zone. There are some rocks and trees marking the edge of the lawn where the mowing stops. Commissioner Patria made a motion to sign the Certificate of Compliance. Commissioner MacWilliams seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

68 Will Palmer Road – Enforcement Order Coordinator Clark stated that there is limited progress at this time as most of the restoration will not occur until spring.

Granville Gorge Coordinator Clark stated that a purchase order was approved by accounting to use the Conservation Expendable account to repair the parking area. Until the parking area is repaired in the spring, a “parking area closed for the season” sign will be placed on the locked gate.

61 & 63 College Highway – Enforcement Order A letter to AAA Builders was issued from Mr. Robert Sullivan, Deputy Building Inspector, listing remedial measures that need to be completed. No other work can take place on the building and no additional site work at this time other than the Storm Water remediation can occur in accordance with the cease and desist order. Coordinator Clark conducted a site visit with Randy Brown, DPW Director, and Alan Slessler, Town Planner last week. It was noted that there were no silt fences in place as required and there was substantial additional ground disturbance at the time of the visit before the letter was written.

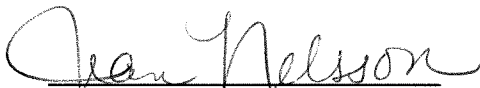
Granville & Fred Jackson Roads DEP#292-0362 Coordinator Clark stated that Randy Brown might use Crestview Construction to complete of the culvert in accordance with the approved design. Signing of the Certificate of Compliance will be on hold until all the work is completed.

LPP Ice Out Notices Coordinator Clark will contact Chief Bishop to determine if a Code Red alert can be issued to lakefront property owners as a reminder of the December 1st ice out date. All docks must be removed by then unless they have been granted a variance.

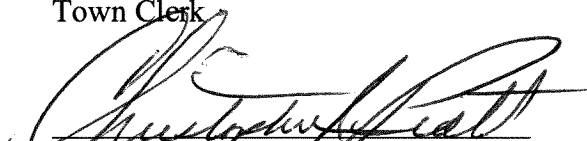
Woodland Ridge Open Space Vice Chairman MacWilliams submitted a reimbursement request in the amount of \$164.15 for mowing, fuel and winter guard seeding for the open space at Woodland Ridge. Chairman Pratt made a motion to approve a purchase order request using the Woodland Ridge Gift account. Commissioner Pranka seconded the motion, Vice Chairman abstained. The vote of the Commission was unanimous in favor.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is scheduled for December 2, 2019

Respectfully submitted,


Jean Nilsson, Secretary
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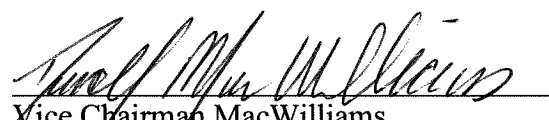
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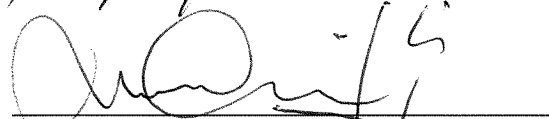

Christopher Pratt, Chairman

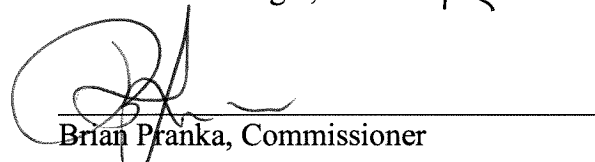

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Date