

## **Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes 3/8/2023, 7:30 PM**

Commission Members Attending: John Sullivan, Tim Holiner, Amey Moot, Anna Nagy.

Absent: Jim McLaughlin, Christy Violin, Sarah Monaco.

Other Attendees: Consultant Agent Janet Bowser, Lori Hagerty, Conservation Office, Mark Cooperman and Sarah Rabdau, EcoTerra Design, and Mitsy Lopez Baranello for 35A Walpole St., , Mark Cooperman, EcoTerra Design, James Wallace, Property Mgr., and Jen Stephens, Rob Carlezon, Grady Consulting, for 129/143 Dedham St., Scott Jordan, EcoTec, Kevin McCabe, DPW, Scott Salvucci, PE and Kendra Dow, Woodard & Curran, Jerry Arnold and Greg Cahoun present for Centre St., Joyce Hastings, GLM Engineering for 4 Juniper Ln., 4 Sterling Dr., and 32 Meadowbrook Rd., Erica Busa, Mike S., Janet Comisky.

### **7:30**

#### **Discussion**

Open Space, DLCT – 97 Centre St., dry stream discussion

Present: Jerry Arnold and Greg Cahoun

Jerry said the pond and creek bed were previously dry. The creek is now flowing and the pond is full. Greg said they checked around Town and other water bodies are replenished, but they think the dry pond (fed by underground water) was due to the drought. Both the pond and stream have now recovered.

#### **Notices of Intent**

144-893      35A Walpole St., Baranello, Mark Cooperman and Sarah Rabdau of EcoTerra Design

Having been duly published the hearing for 35A Walpole St was opened. Mark Cooperman, EcoTerra Design, showed the existing conditions plan and then the proposed plan. He explained the walkways, landscaping, tree removal, and invasive plant species removal. They've consulted with an Arborist and would like to propose hand removal and herbicide use based on need. Sarah discussed plant types proposed. Agent Bowser Bowser stated that she had conducted a site inspection with the Applicant's representative to evaluate existing and proposed site conditions and noted that the wetland delineation was recently approved in a separate ORAD. She discussed her comment memo dated 3/5/23 and recommended submittal of a waiver request in writing to be discussed and voted at the next meeting. She recommended trying non-herbicide manual removal of invasives first and if necessary, then request the use of herbicide. The Commission discussed the cut and dab process if herbicide is used. Agent Bowser suggested an invasive species management plan for the usage of different types of invasive removal. The applicant requested a continuance to the next meeting on 3/22/23 and the Commission granted the request.

144-894      129/143 Dedham St., Amelia Farm LLC, Mark Cooperman, EcoTerra Design

Having been duly published the hearing for 129/143 Dedham St was opened. Mark Cooperman, EcoTerra Design was present. Also present were James Wallace, Property Manager, Jen Stephens and Rob Carlezon, Grady Consulting. Agent Bowser stated that she had conducted a site inspection to evaluate existing and proposed site conditions and noted that the wetland delineation was recently approved in a separate ORAD. She said the work in the buffer zone is to remove/replace existing paddocks and there is an extensive planting plan. Mark said the majority of work is proposed for 143 Dedham. The home and sport courts outside the buffer zone have been removed. He showed the existing conditions plan and proposed work plan. The paddocks have been reconfigured. He showed areas of proposed invasive plant species removal and location of proposed native plantings. Jen and Rob spoke about the control of water flow on the property driveways. The drainage structures will be located both within and outside the buffer zone. Mark showed the invasive plant removal plan and invasive species management plan, phases and the monitoring plan. Cut and swab of

herbicides is proposed. Agent Bowser discussed erosion control, orange construction fence, herbicide use, and stormwater management. Mark said they'd provide more detail regarding drainage calculations within the buffer zone. The applicant requested a continuance to the next meeting on 3/22/23 and the Commission granted the request.

**Continued Notice of Intent**

144-892 Claybrook Rd. repairs, Dover DPW

Present were Scott Jordan, EcoTec, Kevin McCabe, DPW, Scott Salvucci, PE and Kendra Dow, Woodard & Curran. Agent Bowser confirmed that all requested revised NOI Application information and site plans have been received and recommended the Commission take separate votes approving the project under the WPA and the Bylaw due to the fact that it is being submitted as a Limited Project under the WPA.

Motion made and seconded to close the hearing. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to approve the Limited Project. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to grant a waiver of the 50' limit of disturbance setback. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to grant a waiver of the minimum required ratio of BVW replication of 1.5.1. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to grant the Order of Conditions based on the application under the Dover Wetland Bylaw with 12 special conditions outlined in Agent Bowser Report. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to grant the Order of Conditions based on the application under the Wetlands Protection Act with 12 special conditions outlined in Agent Bowser Report. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

**Minor Modification Requests**

144-846 4 Juniper Ln., Hartman, GLM Eng., Joyce Hastings

Joyce was present and described the minor modification request which will reduce the impact to the buffer zone. Agent Bowser stated that she had conducted a site inspection to evaluate existing and proposed modified site work and recommended approval of the request.

Motion made and seconded to approve the Minor Modification. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

144-867 4 Sterling Dr., Calumet Corp., GLM Eng., Minor Mod. & waiver request

Joyce discussed the proposed work as a generator, a fence within the 70' no structure setback and that the Applicant is requesting approval of an "After-the-Fact" installation of an underground propane tank at the outer edge of the 50 ft. No Disturb Setback. Agent Bowser stated that she had conducted a site inspection to evaluate existing and proposed modified site work and recommended approval of the modification request and the two waiver requests.

Motion made and seconded to grant an "After the fact" waiver to allow a propane tank within the 50' no disturb setback. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to grant the waiver to allow a structure within the 70' no structure setback. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

Motion made and seconded to approve the Minor Modification Request for the fence, generator, and propane tank. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

### **Request for Certificate of Compliance**

144-866 32 Meadowbrook Rd., Greene, GLM Eng.

Agent Bowser stated that she had inspected the site and confirmed full compliance with the OOC and recommended issuance with 4 permanent conditions. Motion made and seconded to grant the Certificate of Compliance for 32 Meadowbrook with conditions outlined in Agent Report. Roll call vote: Tim-Y, Anna-Y, Amey-Y, John-Y.

### **Discussion/Correspondence/Work Group Discussion/Updates**

Annual Dover Spring Clean-up-Amey

The Commission is in favor of endorsing the work and directed it be added to the minutes.

### **Agent's Report**

1. Updates on Active Permits, Compliance, Enforcement & Wetland Protection Issues
2. Proposal by Native Fish Coalition to Study Brook Trout Population & Mitigation in Trout Brook – There was discussion by the Commission and they want to pursue this. They are interested and Amey suggested they look into Powisset Brook as well as Trout Brook. Agent Bowser will respond to the Coalition and invite them to a future meeting for further discussion regarding the project.
3. MAPC Technical Assistance Grant Application by Sherborn for Development of Tree and Vegetation Mgt. Guidelines to Combat Climate Change - Review & Discuss Possible Support & Collaboration Effort –The Commission reviewed and approved the Agent's draft Letter of Support from Dover Con Com to go out in support of Sherborn's Application.
4. Update on Tree Preservation Committee & March 11th Public Forum – Agent encouraged all to attend the Zoom meeting presentation.
5. 12 & 14 Miller Hill Road - Update Re: Report of Possible Tree Removal Violations in Buffer Zone – Agent said a site plan is coming in from Cheney Engineering and the Commission stated that they will wait to hear from the owner's representatives from 36 Farm Street and their consultants before taking any further action. Agent Bowser will continue to monitor this situation and provide updates as they become available.
6. 6 Sterling Drive, DEP#144-0815 - Status of NOV Response Re: Required BZ Restoration Monitoring Reports – A letter went out 2/13/23 stating that the required reports must be submitted to the Commission by April 27th. No response yet. The Chair spoke with Joyce Hastings, GLM, who said she will follow up with a report.
7. Aquarian Water Co. Response Letter regarding compliance with all regulatory exception criteria for the on-going public drinking water well replacement/repair project – Agent said they met all the requirements and that she will continue to monitor the project.
8. Agent Bowser briefly discussed whether or not the Commission would like her to draft Guidelines for Minor Modification Requests and they answered in the affirmative. She will consult with agents from other Towns on this matter and draft recommended guidelines for the Commission's review at a future meeting.

The Commission discussed a request by the CDC to use the Town of Dover Con Com property behind their school for an event. The Commission is not set up for what they have requested, but the children and parents are welcome to walk the Commission property.

Adjourned 10:30

Documents:

35A Walpole St:

NOI 2/13/23

Grady Consulting LLC Plan 10/14/22

129/143 Dedham St:

NOI 2/13/23

Matthew Cunningham Landscape Design, Site Plan 2/10/23

Claybrook Rd. DPW Repairs:

Woodard & Curran response letter to Con Com comments, 2/28/23

Woodard & Curran Plan, Scott Salvucci, PE, rev. 2/24/23

Orig. NOI/Narrative 2/2/23

4 Juniper Ln. Minor Modification Request for 144-846 OOC, 3/1/23

Existing Conditions Plan, GLM, Robert Truax, PE, rev. 2/15/23

4 Sterling Dr. . Minor Modification Request for 144-867 OOC, 3/1/23

Minor Mod. Plan, GLM, Robert Truax, PE, rev. 2/1/23

Waiver Request 2/28/23

32 Meadowbrook Rd. CoC Request/As-Built Plan, GLM Eng. 1/29/23

Agent Bowser Regulatory Review Report and Recommendation Memo 3/5/23

Agent Draft Support Memo for Sherborn MAPC Technical Assistance Grant Application 3/8/23

Agent Bowser's email dated 3/6/23 Re: Tree Preservation Committee's March 11th Public forum

Agent Bowser's email dated 3/7/23 Re: Proposal by Native Fish Coalition to Study Brook Trout Population & Mitigation in Trout Brook

Aquarian Water Co. Letter 3/3/23, Tata & Howard Plan Nov. 2022