

HOLDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday November 4th, 2020

7:00 p.m.

REMOTE MEETING

Members Present: Michael Scott, Kenneth Strom, David Nyman, Luke Boucher, Elizabeth Parent, Cathy Doherty, Heather Parry

Others Present: Glenda Williamson, Conservation Agent; Sara Flagg, Recording Secretary; Tom Larson, Greenwood Estates; Gary Kaczmarek, Town of Holden, Anthony Wespiser and Jeff Alberti, Weston and Sampson; Casey Lemoine, Ricciardi Bros.

M. Scott opened the meeting at 7:02pm, read Gov. Baker's order regarding virtual meetings.

**Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Holden Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the Town of Holden website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting*

GREENWOOD ESTATES UPDATE

Tom Larson, Greenwood Estates, provided an update on the project. Stated that hydro-seeding has been completed at Stephanie Drive. Catch basins are set and the next step will be making those active. Pipe size is being switched out near the area of the former Friendly's. Rip rap is being done with the use of large boulders. Additional stabilization is being done on the high side and a small detention pond with rip rap will be placed there. Winter rye and clover were added to the seed mix to give the best chance of success given the season and weather.

MINOR CHANGES –

18 Industrial Drive, Town of Holden DPW Facility File # 183-0665

Anthony Wespiser and Jeff Alberti from Weston and Sampson presented the proposed changes.

A. Wespiser explained the minor changes in the design include:

1. Slight shift in location of main facility building and salt storage structure
2. Adjusted finish grade of the site
3. Minor adjustments to the drainage system
4. Minor adjustments to Limit of Work associated with above changes

The Commission reviewed the plans showing the proposed changes.

D. Nyman asked if the salt shed is now outside of the buffer and the reason for shifting is access? A. Wespiser replied yes, the ramp for loading the trucks was also moved as a safety precaution because the ramp being on the driver's side to signal allows for safer access.

M. Scott asked about the item regarding grading at the front of the site.

A. Wespiser replied that it did become steeper and a new 2-foot retaining wall is to be added near the parking area to maintain a flatter transition.

Motion by K. Strom, seconded by D. Nyman, THAT THE CHANGES FOR FILE # 183-0665 ARE DE MINIMIS AND DOES NOT REQUIRE AN AMENDED ORDERED, IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED BY A VOTE 7-0-0.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION – 183-0650

252 Holden Street. Assessing Map 238, Parcel 34. Single family home in the 100-foot buffer. One-year extension requested by property owner, Wando D'Oliverio.

G. Williamson told the applicant they needed an extension because their Order of Conditions is set to expire March 20, 2021 and G. Williamson stated that they needed the Book and Page number of the recording with the Worcester Registry.

M. Scott asked if they followed any of the orders. G. Williamson said the site has been okay. They had to repair the erosion controls on several occasions. The Extension will not be issued until the Order is recorded. The item will be continued to the next Commission meeting in December.

DISCUSSIONAL

HERITAGE PUMP STATION RESTORATION HERITAGE LANE DRAINAGE PIPE

Casey Lemoine from Ricciardi Bros. said the erosion control barriers will be cleaned up tomorrow. Planting plan provided by Aurelio was shared and he is open to the Commission's comments. There are proposed White Oaks, Birch and other species to be planted as shown. He offered to have staking done to show the proposed plantings on site.

M. Scott said that staking it would be worthwhile to see the density that is proposed and what would be possible.

Members of the Commission will visit the site Monday, November 9 to see the proposed staking. G. Williamson said that the area of the drainage pipe will be seeded this week.

96 MALDEN ST – CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

G. Williamson said the realtor is confused because the property sold twice before a final COC was issued. M. Scott asked if there is any reason not to issue the COC.

G. Williamson said she did not see any reason not to, the site was fully stabilized.

Motion by K. Strom, seconded by C. Doherty, TO ISSUE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR 96 MALDEN ST. APPROVED BY A VOTE 7-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 5, 2020

M. Scott, L. Boucher, D. Nyman and K. Strom were present at the meeting.

March 4, 2020

M. Scott, L. Boucher, K. Strom, D. Nyman and C. Doherty were present at the meeting.

Both sets of minutes were continued to the Commission's December hearing to allow for more time to review.

Motion by L. Boucher, seconded by D. Nyman, TO ADJOURN THE NOVEMBER 4, 2020 CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING AT 8:05 PM. APPROVED BY VOTE 7-0-0.