

**HOLDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
HOLDEN TOWN HALL
SEPTEMBER 7, 2022
MEETING MINUTES**

Members Present: Michael Scott, Chairman; Kenneth Strom, David Nyman, Hannah Lipper, Heather Parry

Not Present: Luke Boucher and Elizabeth Parent

Others Present: Glenda Williamson, Conservation Agent; Sara Flagg, Recording Secretary; Patrick Wood, Brad Stone, John Woodsmall, Holden DPW, Quinapoxet Culvert; Tom Larson, Martelli Construction, Greenwood Estates; Scott Jordan, Eco-Tec, Inc., 70 Chapel St

M Scott opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

QUINAPOXET CULVERT – HOLDEN DPW

DEP File #: 183-0689. Map 88-Pacel 6; Map 102-Parcels 12 and 22. Culvert replacement for the existing Quinapoxet Street roadway over the Warren Tannery Brook. Proposed project revisions. Patrick Wood, DPW.

P Wood explained that TEC was hired to do a full design on culvert replacement for Quinapoxet St. TEC realized in May that their design wasn't buildable, redesigns were also unsuccessful due to issues with the footings, sewer main, and utility wires. The area has been temporarily stabilized and DPW is monitoring it but it is getting to be time to do something more permanent.

G Williamson shared photos of the area.

P Wood said that Holden DPW would like to get this done with a replacement in kind due to the site constraints. M Scott asked if the geotechnical engineer has reviewed that there is sufficient support for either a concrete, plastic or metal culvert. P Wood said that TEC has not yet had a chance to review. John Woodsmall interjected that the soils have held up the current pipe and the failures are due to the rusting of the culvert so it should be sufficient to support. D Nyman asked if the DEP is on board for reversing course on this. P Wood stated they haven't been contacted yet. J Woodsmall mentioned that the geo improvements to the soils that would need to be done would require bypassing the sewer. Adding in the cost of the water main and sewer bypass which would make it close to a million dollar project and would still not meet the full standards while potentially the road could collapse in the meantime.

The Commission reviewed the plans. D Nyman requested increasing the size of the pipe so that some accumulation of material can occur. M Scott requested they look into using a pipe with a corrugated interior and potentially adding additional pipes to allow the

velocity to be decreased. He also commented that raising the road profile may also help to redirect some of the water.

The Commission said that a full amendment would be required with plans given the significant changes. This item was continued to the Commission's October 5th meeting date.

AMENDED ORDER OF CONDITIONS- 78 DEANNA DRIVE (Lot 57R)

DEP File # 183-0669 Greenwood Estates Subdivision. Single family home in the 100-foot buffer. Assessing Map 132, parcel 137. Change in orientation of the home, decreased wall length by 85-feet and work pulled out of the 25-foot no-disturb zone.

Tom Larson, Martelli Construction, shared plans comparing the earlier version and new design in relation to the agreed upon wetland line, this has taken the proposed retaining wall out of the 25-foot no-disturb-zone. He explained that the orientation of the home was rotated and that the retaining wall length was decreased by approx. 85 feet.

Motion by K STROM, seconded by D NYMAN to CLOSE THE HEARING FOR AMENDED ORDER OF CONDITIONS – 78 DEANNA DRIVE LOT 57R. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

Motion by K Strom, seconded by D Nyman to ISSUE AN AMENDED ORDER OF CONDITIONS FOR 78 DEANNA DRIVE WITH NO SPECIAL CONDITIONS. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

NOTICE OF INTENT – 70 CHAPEL STREET

Dep File # 183-0695. Assessing Map 200, Parcel 3. In-ground pool, associated walkway, fencing, grading and landscaping within the 100-foot buffer of BVW. Kimberly Huff, owner. Rep. Scott Jordan, Eco-Tec, Inc.

G Williamson read the Legal Ad into record. Scott Jordan, Eco-Tec, shared plans, described stabilization at the slopes. G. Williamson stated that she had given the property owner permission to remove large trees in the back yard as they were on the outside edge of the 100-foot buffer and that one large boulder is to remain in the back yard. M. Scott asked where excavated soils would be stockpiled. S Jordan stated that the materials would be taken off-site. S Jordan explained that the area slopes down to the resource area along the back of the property. He stated that the work area would be surrounded with entrenched silt fence and staked straw wattles and that the side slopes would be graded and stabilized with grass seed or hydro-seeded. No further comments from the Commission. No members from the public were present for this hearing.

The Commission asked that any large boulders encountered during excavation be placed at the limit of the work area and that no chlorinated pool water is to be discharged to the resource area.

Motion by K STROM, seconded by H LIPPER TO CLOSE THE HEARING FOR NOI 70 CHAPEL ST. APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 5-0-0.

Motion by K STROM, seconded by H PARRY TO ISSUE A STANDARD ORDER WITH CONDITIONS WITH SPECIAL CONDITIONS THAT ANY BOULDERS FOUND ARE SET TO DELINEATE THE LIMIT OF WORK AND NO DISCHARGE OF POOL WATER TO THE RESOURCE AREA. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

REQUEST FOR FINAL COC – DPW FACILITY – 18 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE

DEP File #: 183-0665. Assessing Map 186, Parcel 43. Construction of a new 43,000 square-foot DPW facility, parking areas, utilities and associated structures (salt shed, vehicle storage, fueling facility). A portion of the work is located in the 100-buffer of BVW. Gary Kaczmarek, Project Manager, Town of Holden.

G Williamson said this will still need to be continued as they are still waiting on final As-Builts and the engineers compliance statement.

FOREST CUTTING PLAN – CH. 132 40 Acres off Dorothy Ave. DCR

G Williamson shared the information from DCR and stated that the Commission has ten days to review and provide comments back to the DCR.

PROJECT UPDATES

Sunshine Ridge - Bailey Road

G Williamson said that no grading has begun, waiting on approvals from the DPW.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 6th and June 1, 2022

Both sets of minutes were continued as there was not a quorum for the vote.

Motion by K STROM, Seconded by D NYMAN TO ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2022 CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.