

MEETING MINUTES

Conservation Commission
March 24, 2022 6:30 PM
Waterford Town Hall

Members Present: Tali Maidelis, Richard Muckle, Jessica Patterson, Matthew Keatley, Wade Thomas
Members Absent: Dave Lersch, Geneva Renegar
Alternates Present: Ivy Plis (1 Vacancy)
Alternates Absent: Julie Wainscott
Staff Present: Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner
Leanne Santos, Recording Secretary

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

R. Muckle called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. I. Plis was seated for D. Lersch.

2. APPROVAL OF THE March 10, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Motion made by T. Maidelis, second by J. Patterson to approve the March 10, 2022 meeting minutes.

Vote: 5-0-1 (W. Thomas abstained)

3. APPLICATION REVIEW

#C-22-3 30 Douglas Lane – Demo and Rebuild Home, Albert Bove, Owner & Applicant, Joe Wren, (Indigo Land Design, LLC) Agent

No representative for this application was present. The Commission reviewed the revised wetland delineation incorporated into the site plan and discussed the proposed proximity of the driveway to the wetland area. The Commission recommended the driveway design be modified to provide a minimum 20 ft. wide set-back from the down-gradient wetlands, intersect Douglas Lane in a “T” configuration, provide a low berm along the down-gradient edge of the driveway to control erosion of driveway materials and the discharge of sediment into the down-gradient wetland and watercourse, and to extend the paved apron to elevation 122 or more to reduce erosion potential of the driveway materials into Douglas Lane. The Commission directed staff to have the applicant’s agent address these recommendations and review the design and location of the proposed leak-offs.

4. NEW APPLICATIONS

None received.

5. CONSERVATION OUTREACH

J. Patterson discussed ideas with the commission for an education and outreach program to start within community and potential ways to focus on and connect with children and adults including library programs, police outreach, and other programs being used currently. She recommended the program materials focus on easy facts and points children can connect with such as clean groundwater, recycling, waste and pollution control. Promotion of the effort could include Town websites, social media and utilizing community partners/ local businesses to provide incentives for participation. Commissioners were requested to bring four potential topics or focus points for discussion at the next meeting.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None received.

7. OTHER BUSINESS – C-12-7 11 PEPPERBOX ROAD – Request for permit extension

Motion: Motion made by T. Maidelis, second by W. Thomas to approve an extension of permit C-12-7 to June 2026.

Vote: 6-0-0

C-22-3 – 30 Douglas Lane

Motion: Motion made by I. Plis, second by W. Thomas to recall item #3 on agenda.

Vote: 6-0-0

J. Wren, agent apologized for being late to the meeting and thanked the Commission for letting him review the revised plan. He reviewed the added wetland boundary limits in proximity of the Douglas Lane culvert, the proposed location of the septic system and measures included in the driveway design in response to staff review comments. The driveway surface will consist of compacted existing substrate. Erosion and sediment controls were added between the driveway and the adjacent wetland boundary, leak-offs composed of 1 ½" – 2" stone are proposed to reduce concentrated run-off flows in the driveway.

Staff reviewed the recommended modifications previously discussed by the Commission. J. Wren replied he could make the modifications and recommended the pavement extend to the right-of-way limit. The Commission agreed and requested the location of the leak-offs be reviewed during construction and modified as needed to control potential driveway erosion.

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by J. Patterson to have staff prepare a draft permit with the modifications and conditions discussed.

Vote: 6-0-0

8. Adjournment

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by T. Maidelis to adjourn at 7:36.

Vote: 6-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Leanne Santos

Recording Secretary