

MEETING MINUTES

Conservation Commission
January 14, 2021
6:30 PM
Zoom Remote Access Only

RECEIVED FOR RECORD
JANUARY 14, 2021
2021 JAN 21 PM 1:23

Members Present: Dave Lersch, Tali Maidelis, Richard Muckle, and Wade Thomas
Members Absent: Jessica Patterson, Geneva Renegar and Michael Stankov
Alternates Present: Julie Wainscott and Ivy Plis (1 Vacancy)
Staff Present: Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner
Katrina Kotfer, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

Chairman Muckle called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Ivy Plis was seated for M. Stankov and J. Wainscott was seated for J. Patterson.

2. APPROVAL of the December 10, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Motion made by J. Wainscott, second by W. Thomas to approve the December 10, 2020 meeting minutes with discussed typographical corrections.

Vote: 6-0

3. APPLICATION REVIEW

C-20-19: 384 & 394 Willetts Avenue Ext. – Multi Family Development – Home Theater TV, Inc. and Douglas W. Wierzorek, Owners, Sig Con Associates, LLC, Applicant, Yantic River Consultants, LLC

Brandon Handfield P.E. reviewed with the Commission modifications and updates made to the plan in response to comments. Changes were made to the orientation of Building A and C and they are further from the wetland boundary. Additional plantings were added at the edge of site clearing to create a physical and visual border. Forebays were added to the detention basins and filter beds added to the basin bottoms to promote infiltration. He noted that a landscape plan has been added to the plan set. The limits of clearing have not been changed. The site elevation has been lifted to keep the project above the ledge and seasonal high groundwater. 168 parking are provided with 167 required, with the appropriate amount of accessible spaces provided.

R. Muckle asked if there will be any delineation showing the area to be conserved at the edge of lawn. He requested a post or marker every 50 feet.

Staff asked if the limit of clearing and lawn would be identified as a wetland non-encroachment boundary. B. Handfield agreed it will be marked.

W. Thomas asked if a guardrail should be installed at the edge of the Basin A between the driveway and the basin.

Staff noted all of her comments had been addressed.

Motion: Motion made by T. Maidelis, second by J. Wainscott to have staff prepare a draft permit for review at the next meeting.

Vote: 6-0

C-20-20 247R Shore Road – New House – Michael C. & Karen C. Doherty – Applicant, James Bernardo, LS Agent

Staff reviewed the draft permit with the Commission. It was noted that the address should read as Shore Road not Spithead Road.

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by J. Wainscott to approve the draft permit with the noted correction.

Vote: 6-0

4. NEW APPLICATIONS

No new applications were received.

5. VIOLATIONS

14B Shore Road – Unauthorized Culvert Installation and Fill Placement within Wetlands and Watercourses – Notice of Violation November 12, 2020 – Wetland Enhancement Plan to be submitted by May 31, 2021 and implemented within 90 days of approval.

The Commission is waiting for submission of the Wetland Enhancement Plan, no further action was taken.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

11 Oak Road – Request for Bond Reduction for C-15-11

Staff reviewed with the Commission the request for bond reduction. She noted that work has been done and estimates have been submitted in support of the reduction.

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by T. Maidelis to reduce the bond to \$2,500.

Vote: 6-0

7. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was discussed.

8. PAYMENT OF BILLS

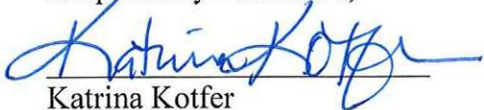
Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by J. Wainscott to pay the bill for The Day, \$81.70.

Vote: 6-0

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,


Katrina Kotfer
Recording Secretary