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## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

### **FEBRUARY 24, 2014**

Members Present: Joe McGrath, Chip Burkhardt, Mark Coakley, Charlene Franz

Members Absent: Jeff Walsh

Others Present: See Attached Sign-In Sheet

Recorder: Melanie Rich

**PUBLIC MEETING** – (**Nebraska Street, LLC**), 183 Main Street – Request for Determination of Applicability to replace the existing septic tank and remove trees & brush.

James Ricciardi was in attendance. The tank is collapsed. He applied and received a permit from the Board of Health to repair it. Mr. Ricciardi would also like to remove two trees. Matt Marro (Mr. Ricciardi's wetlands scientist) and Paul McManus (EcoTec) are coordinating the delineation of the wetlands. Mark Coakley does not have a problem replacing the tank but was concerned with tree removal. It will be a condition on the Determination of Applicability. Joe McGrath made a motion to close the Public Meeting; Chip Burkhardt seconded; all agreed; motion approved. Chip Burkhardt made a motion to issue a Determination of Applicability by reason #3 adding that "removal of 2 downed trees on the SW corner is approved. Any further work will require complete wetlands delineation." Joe McGrath seconded; all agreed; motion approved.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – (**James Goulet**), 383 Sewall Street – Notice of Intent Application to construct a driveway and single-family home on Lot 5 and Lot 6 Sewall Street (Nature's View).

Wayne Belec and Haley Vernis (Waterman Design), James and Shawn Goulet were present. Mr. Belec briefly summarized that they were before the commission and received an Order of Conditions (DEP #115-367). At that time it was for six lots, but was revised to contain only five lots. The drainage system is designed for six lots.

**Lot 5** is approximately 8.07 acres and contains 3.05 acres of buffer zone, of which about 0.73 acres will be altered. They propose to construct a 12' wide concrete driveway with a 12% grade to minimize resource area impacts at the crossing. The crossing alteration (407 square feet) will be replicated adjacent to the area. There will be a transformer for utilities and will have a private sewage system. Joe McGrath asked about the force main. Mr. Belec said it will be encased in a PVC sleeve. Retaining walls and wooden guide rails will be on each side of the driveway. The construction sequence was discussed. Joe asked the route for tree removal. Mr. Belec said they will go across the street. Joe would like to see the detail for a temporary crossing on the plan. There are no cut and fill calculations for the driveway. The only stockpiling will be the loam.

Mark recommended the stock pile area be put on the plan. Joe asked about the electrical cables, punch outs for access ports for services. Mr. Belec said they will leave stubs for access ports. He also asked if the Order could be conditioned so the process could move forward. Joe was hesitant about them crossing the stream until we see it on the plan. Having Paul McManus approve it before mat placement was discussed. Joe McGrath made a motion to close the Public Hearing for both Lot 5 and Lot 6; Charlene Franz seconded; all agreed; motion approved. Chip Burkhardt made a motion to issue a standard Order of Conditions adding Special Conditions (#33) prior to the start of work, a row supplement detailing utility easements and placement of any access locations to be provided, (#34) add additional detail to the construction plans showing stockpile area on NW side of house site, and (#35) prior to commencement of the tree clearing, the stream crossing shall be inspected and approved by the commission or their assignee. Contractor shall notify the commission 48 hours prior to commencement of tree crossing. Joe McGrath seconded; all agreed; motion approved.

**Lot 6** is approximately 2.50 acres and contains 0.38 acres of buffer zone, of which about 0.10 acres will be altered. They propose to construct a 12' wide concrete driveway with a maximum grade of 10%. Buffer zone activity is minimal. The lot is graded to minimize direct flow. A swale was created in the back. They plan to keep many trees. Joe McGrath made a motion to issue a standard Order of Conditions adding Special Conditions (#33) prior to the start of work, a row supplement detailing utility easements access and locations to be provided; Mark Coakley seconded; all agreed; motion approved. DEP file numbers are needed for both lots.

### **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Vouchers were approved.

Joe McGrath made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes dated December 16, 2013; Charlene Franz seconded; Joe, Mark & Charlene agreed; Chip Burkhardt abstained.

Joe McGrath made a motion to approved the Meeting Minutes dated January 27, 2014; Chip Burkhardt seconded; Joe & Chip agreed; Mark & Charlene abstained.

Sign Certificate of Compliance to Erosion & Sediment Control Permit FY2000-1 issued to Balderelli Brothers, Inc. for 199 Sewall Street – Mark Coakley made a motion to sign the Certificate of Compliance; Joe McGrath seconded; all agreed; motion approved.

Frito-Lay Truck Refueling – An email was received from the Town Administration noting the Board of Selectmen's concern about refueling being done close to wetlands. He has asked for feedback. He will be sent information from the file to review and to request a representative attend our next meeting with a status report of their compliance.

Compass Pointe Status Report Due (see 12/16/2013 Meeting Minutes) – Mr. Venincasa sent an email today asking for a thirty day extension to produce a status report with the exact start date. Mike Wadden from Clark & Mott attended and also came to the office this morning asking the same. Mr. Wadden was informed of the work that needs to be done. Joe McGrath made a motion to approve the request to extend the deadline to correct the deficiencies until May 1<sup>st</sup>; Chip Burkhardt seconded; all agreed. Mr. Venincasa will be asked to attend the March meeting.

Stormwater Coalition Grant – An email was received from the Town Administrator to let us know that the Stormwater Coalition (30 Central MA towns), has been notified that we have received an additional \$80,000.00 for the Stormwater Management Program. This is in addition to the \$115,000.00 the coalition received in FY 13. No action is needed at this time.

Newton Pond Update – Chip asked what the next step should be. The Shrewsbury Conservation Commission has not addressed the issue of the outstanding Enforcement Order. Definitive evidence that the dam was altered would be needed. Joe feels that the Shrewsbury Concom would maintain that there was no impact. A qualified engineer would be needed to do a survey. Chip will contact Maryann Dipinto (DEP) to see if she can assist us.

March 17<sup>th</sup> was confirmed as the next meeting date.

Mount Pleasant Country Club – Joe asked the members to look at work being done. A letter will be sent to Brian Lynch to let him know we are still holding the Stormwater Control Permit issued February 11, 2013 in anticipation of the SWPPP and a final set of plans showing agreed to mitigation at the February 11, 2013 meeting. Any work be done is being done without a valid permit.

Two WPI environmental engineering students attended to observe the meeting and found it to be very interesting.

A motion was made at 9:00 p.m. to adjourn by Joe McGrath; seconded by Chip Burkhardt, and passed unanimously.