

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AMENDED AGENDA

MARCH 6, 2013

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MEETING ROOM

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Next Meeting March 20 – Quorum?

MINUTES

February 20 reviewed by TM, AM, AG *signature*

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Terry Maitland, Andrew Magee, Fran Portante, Amy Green

RECORDING SECRETARY: Bettina D. Abe, Natural Resources Asst.

VISITORS: Joseph Berman, Bruce Ringwall, Anne Meyer, Kirk Ware, Ray Willis

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Mr. Maitland declares that he has hired Mr. Ringwall in the past to work on his property but it will not affect his judgment in this case.

Bruce Ringwall, from Goldsmith, Prest & Ringwall, explained that there have been minor changes to the plans. He supplied evidence as suggested by the Commission at the previous hearing to prove that the stream is intermittent.

Mr. Ringwall sent in a waiver letter today relative to the 23 sq feet of impervious area within 50 ft. no disturb zone. Map page C3 shows the current edge of pavement. Small part of bioretention basin is within zone but that's permitted within water retention allowances. On public benefit side, whole area of water runoff is treated by bioretention area. It will be removing contaminants (40% TSS) from a large volume of water. There will be another row of parking within the 75 foot line that did not show before.

Mr. Ringwall also made a slight modification of a contour line; a bend was straightened so it would not miss directing flow into the inlet of the bioretention basin.

On the last sheet he added labeling of grassed inlet area which will be loamed and seeded.

Mr. Ringwall made some additions to slope on embankment that the Acton Engineering Department requested. He also added in building sewer lines in maps C2 and C3 so the Board of Health could see those. Bruce feels he has addressed all concerns of Board of Health, Engineering Department, and Mr. Mutch in the Planning Dept. who all have all indicated they are satisfied. If Commission is satisfied, he's ready to close.

Ms. Green asked if more paved area was directed to the bio retention. Mr. Ringwall said yes.

Mr. Maitland asked about the 50-foot no disturb zone and whether or not the parking lot is in there. But the parking lot is a structure. So that's why you need a waiver.

Mr. Magee said you did not mention moving the dumpster outside the buffer zone. Mr. Ringwall replied, yes, they will move it 200 feet away.

Mr. Magee thanked the applicant for the formal request for waiver and complemented the applicant on a nice submittal including the riverfront information.

Ms. Green asked if the sketched wetland noted on the plans? Different line types so they are differentiated from different feet away lines.

7:32 There being no further questions comments, Mr. Maitland closed the hearing.

DECISION - 321 Main Street

Mr. Magee made a motion to issue standard order of conditions, waiving conditions 18 and 19 with no specials.

Ms. Portante seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

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7:36 Mr. Ray Willis of Onsite Engineering began his presentation for the Nagog Park Sewage Pump station North Acton Treatment Corp. He handed in abutter notifications.

Mr. Willis stated that this wastewater pumping station at Nagog Park is over 40 years old and is being undertaken to comply with an order issued by Mass DEP to address identified violations and bring the treatment system closer to compliance

Mr. Willis explained that the station can be installed while keeping existing station active, then switch over. Actual bordering vegetated wetlands are in Littleton. Littleton is not seeking an NOI. Project is within 100-foot and 75 to 50-foot resource area. They are seeking waiver request. Because the site limitations have required that a portion of this project be located within the 75-foot no build setback. However it is outside the 50 foot natural vegetative setback. The area is already previously disturbed. It makes most sense from construction standpoint and will minimize impacts.

Structure on drawing is footprint of precast units buried beneath surface. Hatches will be seen above. Minimal impact to impervious surface. It will be restored to pre-existing condition.

It is located within both an Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife, and Priority Habitat of Rare Species. They have filed with NHESP, but have not yet received review letter. Mr. Magee suggested that there may be blue spot salamanders and possibly rare turtles in the area. Mr. Willis does not expect any impact on these animals because work will be done quickly within 30 days. They will seek contractor bids over the next month. Hope to start project this summer.

The state has asked to start expeditiously as possible to be up and running by August. And that timing would help with de-watering. Silt fence and sediment details provided. No refueling or stockpiling. The lot is generally flat. On Littleton side there is a small drainage ditch, Mr. Maitland reported.

Mr. Maitland asked what if we close the hearing, but something comes back from NHESP; do we reopen? Ms. Green says probably a red line change or turtle exclusion fence (depending on the species) could be implemented. Mr. Magee says it's lawn, open space so the benefit is an upgraded treatment system.

Mr. Maitland asked who it serves. Answer 200 homes and 100 businesses; additionally, Acton housing, Nonset Path neighborhood, Henley, Nagog Park retail center, and many more. Same size as town sewer! 200,000 gallons per day. But there are many vacancies in these housing units.

Ms. Green says dewatering could be a problem but you have it under control.

7:50 No further questions. Hearing closed.

DECISION - 44 Nagog Park

Mr. Magee moved to issue a standard order of conditions, except #19, the 75 foot waiver. Ms. Portante seconded.

No further discussion; it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Magee moved to accept minutes from Feb. 20. Ms. Green seconded.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Request for Certificate of Compliance - 80 Hammond Street - 85-1109 (030)

Mr. Magee moved to give cert of compliance to 80 Hammond Street. Ms. Portante seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Maitland asked if there would be a quorum for March 20. Yes. All members here today will be present.

7:55 Meeting adjourned.



Terry Maitland
Chair

03-06-2013

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