



Town of Duxbury Conservation Commission

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Minutes of April 24, 2018

The Conservation Commission met on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Mural Room at the Duxbury Town Hall.

Members Present: Corey Wisneski, Chair; Tom Gill, Vice-chair; Robb D'Ambruoso; Holly Morris; Scott Zoltowski

Members Absent: Sam Butcher; Mickey McGonagle

Staff Present: Joe Grady, Conservation Administrator; Susan Ossoff, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING; SULLIVAN; 326 POWDER POINT AVE; PIER SE18-1809

Tom Pozerski of Merrill Engineering described the project which is to reconstruct an existing pier. The pier will be reconstructed in the same location as the existing pier. The pier is currently licensed through 208.

On a motion by Scott Zoltowski, seconded by Sam Butcher, it was voted 5-0-0 to write Orders of Conditions for SE18-1809k, 326 Powder Point Ave.

PUBLIC HEARING; HEBERT; 103 DEPOT STREET; ENLARGE BUILDING & PARKING AREA, REPLACE AND EXTEND DRIVEWAY, ADD PATHWAYS SE18-1811

John Cavanaro of Cavanaro Consulting described the project. The location is historically an in-home business and they are going to the ZBA to convert it to a full time veterinary hospital. There is bordering vegetated wetlands at the easterly end. They want to improve traffic circulation, and improve the structure. Parking in front will be eliminated and parking in back added. The garage in back will be refit as a 2-story structure. Pedestrian traffic will be improved. The pavement area will be reduced and buffer zone coverage will be reduced from 11% - 9%.

Corey Wisneski asked about pavement in the parking area, Mr. Cavanaro said only the handicap accessible spot and walkway will be paved and the rest is gravel. Joe Grady asked if there are any plans to enhance the buffer zone area that is now lawn; Mr. Cavanaro said they will remove the trees and plant native shrubs in the area. Sam Butcher asked about dog waste near an intermittent stream and suggested a need to discourage dog walking near the stream. Dr. Hebert, the property owner, said they will move the split rail fence further away from the stream and plant behind it to discourage people from walking near the intermittent stream.

Crystal White of 95 Depot Street said she likes the design but is concerned as an abutter whether she will see the cars and prefers that a tall stockade fence with shrubbery be required to hide the parking area. She also asked how many parking spaces there will be. Mr. Cavanaro said there are now 15 spaces and they are proposing 17. Joe Grady recommended she bring up the visibility issue to the Zoning Board so they can consider conditioning their project on that.

On a motion by Sam Butcher, second by Robb D'Ambruoso, it was voted 5-0-0 to write Orders of Conditions for SE18-1811, 103 Depot Street.

**PUBLIC HEARING; MARTIN; 0 GURNET ROAD (59 GURNET ROAD); REVETMENT
SE18-1810**

Paul Brogna of Seacoast Engineering presented the project which is to build a revetment. Over the last 2-3 months there has been significant damage. The home is on 59 Gurnet Road which is out of the flood zone, but the waterfront property is on another lot and over 20' of the property has been lost. They are proposing to build a revetment and tie it in to the neighbor's wall to the south. The wall will be 3-4' below grade; Joe Grady recommended they consider having it go further below grade.

Corey Wisneski asked about construction access, and the property owner, Candace Martin, said the Marshfield DPW has said they can use their access. She said they have unsuccessfully tried to stabilize the area with sand and plants but it has not worked.

Mitchell Berman of 60 Plymouth Ave asked if the wall will cause any damage to their property; Mr. Brogna said they will make a smooth transition to their property. Rick McGinnis of 56 Plymouth Ave said he supports the application and is concerned about the continuing erosion of the dunes.

On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 5-0-0 to write Orders of Conditions for SE18-1810; 0 Gurnet Road.

**PUBLIC HEARING; DUXBURY CONSTRUCTION LLC; 283 KING CAESAR ROAD; 283 KING
CAESAR ROAD; SINGLE FAMILY HOME & POOL
SE18-1812**

Freeman Boynton Jr. presented the project. Last year at this property a seawall was rebuilt, this project is to remove the house and move it back from the shoreline and construct a new house with a new septic system. They will bring in fill. The new septic will 4'-5' higher, be gravity fed and have better groundwater separation. Coverage in the buffer zone will decrease from 18.43% to 18.62%. They will tear the existing house down, bring in the fill, and then rebuild the house.

Joe Grady said there was a wall at this property that was located on the beach and last year the wall was moved back. The adjoining lots have brought in fill and now this lot will also be filled. Freeman Boynton said they are going to eliminate the swale between the properties and bring in fill.

Sarah Britt of 282 King Caesar Road has concerns, there is significant flooding at her house and it is currently unlivable, the water all collects in their yard. She wanted to know if a drainage analysis has been done by a consultant. She also is concerned that a detached garage will obstruct her view. Joe Grady said that drainage analysis would only be valid for one lot, and the

problems in this area are from outside the lot where the project is proposed. The water does not go over the wall at 283 King Caesar Road, and the wall extends the entire length of the property, so therefore this lot is not the source of the water in Ms. York's yard. There is a drain between the homes but it is not the source of this huge volume of water. Sam Butcher said the proposed project will mitigate the flow of water by reducing the likelihood of water flowing across the yard.

On a motion by Scott Zoltowski, seconded by Robb D'Ambruoso, it was voted 5-0-0 to write Orders of Conditions for SE18-1812, 283 King Caesar Road.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY CERTIFICATION; 298 POWDER POINT AVE

Joe Grady explained that a resident at 290 Powder Point Ave has requested an Emergency Certification but these can only be issued if there is a threat to citizens of the Commonwealth and the emergency must be declared by an official of the Commonwealth. This can be further discussed with the applicants at the continued Public Hearing for this project on May 15.

CONSERVATION FUND EXPENDITURES

Conservation Department Truck: Joe Grady reported that significant repairs to the Conservation Department truck are necessary.

Robb D'Ambruoso made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$990.38 from the Conservation Fund for repairs to the Conservation Department truck. The motion was seconded by Sam Butcher and was approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

Survey Work at 346 Summer Street

Joe Grady explained that there is money in the article approved at this year's Town Meeting for work at this property, but it can't be spent until July 1 and in order to close on July 19, survey work and ANR work is required. He expects to go back and take the money out of the article but wants money from the Conservation Fund so the work can proceed.

Robb D'Ambruoso made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$15,700 from the Conservation Fund for survey work at 346 Summer Street. The motion was seconded by Sam Butcher and approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

Adjournment: On a motion by Scott Zoltowski, seconded by Robb D'Ambruoso, it was voted 6-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm.

MATERIALS REVIEWED AT THE MEETING

NOI materials for SE18-1809; SE18-1810; SE18-1811; SE18-1812