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# Minutes of June 27, 2017

The Conservation Commission met on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Mural Room at the Duxbury Town Hall.

Members Present: Chairman Corey Wisneski; Sam Butcher; Mickey McGonagle; Scott

Zoltowski

Members Absent: Robb D'Ambruoso; Tom Gill; Holly Morris

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

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

# PUBLIC HEARING; TOWN OF DUXBURY DPW; TEMPLE ST., INDIAN TRAIL, AND CABLE HILL WAY; WATER MAIN EXTENSION SE18-1773

Ryan Trahan of Environmental Partners described the project which is the second phase of a water main extension on Temple Street. A filter sock will be used as well as siltation sacks and siltation bags; approximately 300' of water main can be installed each day. There are no wetlands on Indian Trail, the main on Cable Hill Way will be upgraded to a 2" main. Cable Hill Way will be paved after the work in the right of way is complete. The work should take 1-2 weeks. Joe Grady said this is a standard approach to this work and the biggest issue is dewatering and he will monitor the dewatering. Sam Butcher asked where the underground pressure equalizing structure is located; Mr. Trahan said at Hidden Acres and Temple Street where there are no wetlands. Bill Benjies of 15 Cable Hill Way asked when the work will be undertaken; he was told after Labor Day.

On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to write Orders of Conditions for SE18-1773, water main extension.

# CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING; DUCKS BERRY LLC; 1065 SUMMER STREET; DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE, INFILTRATION BASINS, AND WATER MAIN SE18-1757

Rick Grady, the applicant's representative, and applicant Matt Tedeschi were present. Joe Grady explained this was originally filed as a 20+ unit development project in October. At that time the hearing was opened but there was no discussion about the project. The project now being-presented as a standard subdivision. This is a tough site with very high-groundwater and tough soils; Joe Grady believes the Commission should hire a wetlands specialist to help with review of the project. The plan originally was to share a consultant with the Planning Board, but he now recommends the Commission hire someone to look at specialized wetland issues. He is recommending the hiring of Nover-Armstrong and he has a cost proposal for \$3750 for this review.

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Rick Grady stated he did not want redundancy on the stormwater review. Joe Grady said he wants the Commission's consultant to be present during the percolation tests. Rick Grady said the septic systems are outside of the buffer zone and only a small portion of the roadway is in the 100' buffer, and that the drainage is diverted away from the wetlands and there is no drainage in the wetlands; Joe Grady said the drainage basin is within a few feet of Conservation Land and he recommends the Commission hire a consultant for the project review to make sure there are no impact. He also said it is possible there are wetlands on the Conservation Land; Rick Grady said his wetlands scientist walked the perimeter and did not identify any wetlands there. Rick Grady thinks \$3750 is a high price and having 2 engineering reviews of the drainage is problematic for him. Joe Grady reminded the Commission that the regulations do not allow the applicant to question anything except the qualifications of the consultant, and if they choose to appeal it is to the Board of Selectmen. Rick Grady stated that Marta Nover is not an engineer and so perhaps he will challenge the qualifications of Nover-Armstrong to do this review. Mickey McGonagle said he supports Joe's recommendations and wants assurances that there will be no wetlands impacts; Corey Wisneski also agreed with the need for a consultant. Sam Butcher said it is a complex project to review.

On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to hire Nover-Armstrong based on the review proposal for 1065 Summer Street dated June 21, 2017 for the sum of \$3750.

On a motion by Scott Zoltowski, seconded by Sam Butcher, it was voted 4-0-0 to continue the hearing for SE18-1757, 1065 Summer Street, until July 25 at 7:15 pm.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**EMERGENCY CERTIFICATION:** The Board of Health has requested an Emergency Certification to allow burying of seaweed on the beach in the Gurnet Road area. The seaweed will be buried on site; this has been done before. Joe Grady approved the Emergency Certification but the commission needs to reaffirm the certification. On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to reaffirm the Emergency Certification for burying seaweed in place on Duxbury Beach in the Gurnet Road area.

#### **CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE:**

SE18-401; 283 King Caesar Road SE18-562; 283 King Caesar Road SE18-624; 283 King Caesar Road

Joe Grady said that SE18-401 was for a seawall that has since been removed and replaced. SE18-562 is an addition. SE18-624 is for a seawall repair (for the wall that has been removed and replaced). He has inspected the site, all required documentation has been received, the projects conform to the Orders of Conditions, and he recommends issuing Certificates of Compliance. On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue Certificates of Compliance for SE18-401, SE18-562, and SE18-624 at 283 King Caesar Road.

**SE18-1320**; **229 Surplus Street**: **25 Hawkins Place**. Joe Grady said he has received an as-built plan and inspected the site. There is a 4-foot walkway that is not shown on the plan, but the project complies with the setbacks and no coverage calculations were required. He recommends issuing Certificates of Compliance for

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SE18-1320, 229 Surplus Street. On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue Certificates of Compliance for SE18-1320, 229 Surplus Street.

**SE18-1707**; **71** Ocean Road North. Partial Certificates of Compliance for this project have already been issued, the only remaining issue was to allow the beach grass to have adequate growing time. Joe Grady has inspected the site and recommends issuing full Certificates of Compliance. On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue Certificates of Compliance for SE18-1707, 71 Ocean Road North.

#### REQUESTED CHANGES TO PLAN: SE18-1756, 1 BEACH PLUM LANE

Modifications to the plan have been requested for this project including changing the pool deck from peastone to bluestone which increases the coverage from 9.9% to 11% and is 200 square feet more coverage than previously approved.

On a motion by Scott Zoltowski seconded by Sam Butcher, it was voted 4-0-0 to accept the proposed changes to the plan for SE18-1756, 1 Beach Plum Lane.

### EXTENSION PERMIT: SE18-1674, 0 KING CAESAR ROAD

This project is a sand nourishment program for a beach owned by a Trust. On a motion by Corey Wisneski, seconded by Sam Butcher, it was voted 4-0-0 to approve extension permits for SE18-1674.

### **245 WASHINGTON STREET**

An issue has just arisen at this location. Orders of Conditions were issued for grading but the property owner allowed the contractor to start without complying with the requirements of the Orders and allowed work in the no work zone. Joe Grady visited the site and has received a letter with proposed remediation work from Brad Holmes of Environmental Consulting and Restoration. Mr. Holmes has proposed a straw waddle line and a limit of work and moving the material that was pushed into the marsh back. A replanting plan was also proposed. Joe Grady recommends issuing an Enforcement Order requiring the removal of the material and the replanting. They also has to remove material that was placed on a neighboring property. Scotia Ryer of 223 Washington Street said she is concerned about the low area between the yards and the proposed grading; the slope has been changed and the grade changed which affects her drainage because her lot is the lowest point. Joe Grady said they will pull the grading back about 30 feet from the border between the lots and will meet onsite with her to review the plan.

On a motion by Corey Wisneski, seconded by Sam Butcher, the Commission voted 4-0-0 to issue and enforcement Order for SE18-1771, 245 Washington Street, that requires revegetation and addressing the grading issues as described in the email proposal submitted by Brad Holmes.

## **TECHNOLOGY: CONTINUING DISCUSSION**

Mickey McGonagle said that it would be helpful for Joe Grady to have more access to technology to enable him better access to plans and other information while out in the field. He said there are three alternatives: do nothing, purchase some technology using Conservation Fund or including a funding request in next year's budget. Joe Grady

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explained the Town's website is currently being updated and redesigned, and the IT department is looking at software packages for permitting, some of which have a Conservation module. It will take time to get the website updated and evaluate the various software, and the Conservation department will be involved in the process. Scott Zoltowski suggested an iPad could be a 'fix' in the meantime, with the various drawings scanned and uploaded for Joe to use as a reference.

**Adjournment:** On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Scott Zoltowski, it was voted 4-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

MATERIALS REVIEWED AT THE MEETING NOI materials for SE18-1773 Revised plan for SE18-1756