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Town of Duxbury Conservation Commission

Minutes of January 18, 2023

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DUXBURY, MASS.

The Duxbury Conservation Commission met on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via remote Zoom videoconferencing.

Members Present: Corey Wisneski; Mickey McGonagle; Sam Butcher; and Holly Morris.

Members Absent: Robb D'Ambruoso, Chair, Scott Zoltowski, Vice-Chair, Tom Gill, III

Staff Present: Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator; Debbie Ballem, Principal Assistant

Meeting was called to order by Corey Wisneski at 1:00 p.m.

Ms. Wisneski read the following preamble: Pursuant to Governor Baker's Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 dated June 16, 2021, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency regarding suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, the Town of Duxbury's Board and/or Committee meetings will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible with members. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch the meeting may do so by following the Zoom meeting links.

Roll call vote of members present: Holly Morris, yes; Sam Butcher, yes; Corey Wisneski, yes; Mickey McGonagle, yes.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING; TUCCIRONE/RIVER HAWK ENVIRONMENTAL; 5 DOGWOOD DRIVE; TREE CLEARING AND GRADING SE18-2023

Bob Rego, River Hawk Environmental, presented the project to remove approximately 25 trees to create a yard 26.5 feet from bordering vegetated wetlands. Commissioners discussed concerns regarding current saturation of the site, the number of trees previously removed during construction, potential to negatively impact adjacent properties, mulch berm stormwater mitigation to protect wetlands, and signage indicating wetlands behind the berm.

Property owner Michael Tucciarone proposed berms, arborvitae, and fence around the perimeter of the site. Commissioners requested revised plans indicating limit of work, number of arborvitae to be planted, and proposed fence line. Contingent upon receiving revised plans signed and stamped by River Hawk Environmental, Sam Butcher recommended Orders of Conditions to include the following conditions: Limit of work will be established along western, eastern, and northern edges of the property. The northern limit of work must be no closer than 26.5' to resource area as depicted on plan by River Hawk Environmental dated December 19, 2022. No activities will be conducted closer to the resource area than the limit of work. Proposed fence must be within the 26.5' work limit. Within the fenced area, mulch berms constructed at northern and eastern portions of the property must be 1 foot higher than surrounding grade, 4 feet wide, and planted with arborvitae.

Sam Butcher made a motion, seconded by Holly Morris, to issue Order of Conditions and close the hearing for SE18-2023 to approve cutting and removing trees to create a yard with conditions

detailed above. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Corey Wisneski, yes; Sam Butcher, yes; Holly Morris, yes; Mickey McGonagle, yes.

Motion carried 4-0

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Minutes for Approval: Regular Session:

Approval of January 3, 2023 minutes moved to next meeting on January 31, 2023

Certificate of Compliance:

SE18-656 Catani/Duxbury Construction; 1335 Tremont Street; septic upgrade

Nancy Rufo reported that a site visit was performed and the septic was moved outside of the 100' buffer. Ms. Rufo recommended issuing a full Certificate of Compliance.

Holly Morris made a motion, seconded by Mickey McGonagle, to issue a Certificate of Compliance for SE18-656. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Corey Wisneski, yes; Sam Butcher, yes; Holly Morris, yes; Mickey McGonagle, yes
Motion carried 4-0

ADJOURNMENT: Holly Morris made a motion, seconded by Sam Butcher, to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 p.m. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Corey Wisneski, yes; Sam Butcher, yes; Holly Morris, yes; Mickey McGonagle, yes
Motion carried 4-0

The next Conservation Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.