

HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF DECEMBER 12, 2017
TOWN HALL, 542 LIBERTY STREET, HANSON, MA

Called to Order at 7:00 PM under M.G.L. c 131, S40 and the Hanson By-Law 3-13, S5 and Rules and Regulations by Phil Clemons, Chairman, in Meeting Room A at the Town hall.

Present: Phil Clemons, Chairman
Sharon LePorte, Member
Paul Andruk, Vice Chairman
Michael DeVeuve, Member
Absent: Bill Woodward, Member
Rebecca Nehiley, Administrative Assistant
Also Present: Matthew Tanis, Agent

Public Hearings / Appointments

7:00 PM Continued Notice of Intent for a proposal to upgrade a failed septic system at 255 West Washington Street, Map 93, Lot 1 within 200 feet of the Poor Meadow Brook for Concord Rover Properties, LLC represented by G.A.F. Engineering, Inc., 266 Main Street, Wareham, MA 02571 (**DEP #SE175-0689**)

Motion to continue to 1/9/2018 at 7:00 PM per request of applicant: Paul Andruk
Second: Sharon LePorte
Vote: 4-0-0

Site Inspection Report of 0 Liberty Street Map 82 Lot 2-1 made on December 1, 2017

Mr. Tanis commented it is a tough site for any proposed building and is difficult for wetlands delineation as well as determining drainage. Vegetation was consistent with wetlands and standing water approximately 100 to 150 feet off Liberty Street. Mr. Clemons reported that there is a drainage system that runs from a swale in the Shaw's parking lot under Liberty Street and onto this property. Mr. Clemons remarked that it would be useful for all parties to find the exact location of the outlet of the drainage. Ms. LePorte questioned whether there would be enough land to develop the land given the street and wetlands setbacks. Mr. Clemons remarked that the wetlands need to be flagged. Ms. LePorte commented that the soil samples taken were of gray color, also consistent with wetlands. Mr. Clemons also commented that the engineers stated they would also consider a solar farm on the back of the property. Mr. Clemons and Ms. LePorte expressed concerns with this proposal as there may not be access to the property without disrupting the wetlands.

Discussions

Mr. Clemons reported on the cleanup of the Poor Meadow Brook Conservation Area near Sawmill Lane. Mr. Clemons remarked that the Boy Scouts from Troop 34 with assistance of Joe Memmo had finished collecting the tires throughout the woods and disposed of them in a dumpster provided by Glen Priolo. Mr. Clemons prepared a short memo regarding the project per request of Town Administrator Mike McCue to present to the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Tanis reported that he had a Boy Scout request information about doing an Eagle Scout project at the high school. The project would be a cross country trail and would cross wetlands in one place where he would be looking to build some type of bridge. Mr. Tanis told him to put a letter in writing requesting that he come before the board for more discussion at the January 9, 2018 meeting. Ms. LePorte reported that the wetlands have been delineated there already and Land Planning should have a copy of the delineation. Mr. Clemons expressed concern over timing for completion in relation to the Scout's 18th birthday, the cutoff for completion of Eagle Scout. Mr. Clemons commented that the scout should bring a specific proposal to the commission.

Mr. Clemons remarked that it would be a positive gesture and requested a motion to send a thank you note to the Boy Scouts of Troop 34 for assisting in the cleanup and tire removal.

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Mr. Clemons remarked that it would be a positive gesture and requested a motion to send a thank you note to Bill Scott for mowing a path at Smittys Bog.

Motion: Paul Andruk

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0

Public Hearings / Appointments

7:30 PM *Continued Notice of Intent* for a proposal to construct a new commercial building with associated site development, drainage, septic system, parking lot & utilities within 100 feet of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland at Liberty Street, Map 91, Lot 12-1 for William Dyer & Jerrold Coulstring Jr., represented by Webby Engineering (DEP #SE175-0685)

Motion to continue to 1/9/2018 at 7:15 PM per request of Joe Webby: Michael DeVeuve

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0

Discussions

Mr. Clemons welcomed the new member Michael DeVeuve.

Mr. Clemons made a short comment in regards to a DEP notice about solar arrays and that if at all possible, the arrays should be placed in uplands rather than wetlands.

Mr. Clemons provided an update on the Smitty's Bog restoration project and the Inter-Fluve contract. Mr. Clemons reported that on Thursday, December 14, 2017 there will be a conference call between the Town, Inter-Fluve, and NRCS. Inter-Fluve will assist in the permitting and bid phase of the project and will cost approximately \$21,000.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:42 PM: Sharon LePorte

Second: Paul Andruk

Vote: 4-0-0