

**HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF MAY 14th, 2019
TOWN HALL, 542 LIBERTY STREET, HANSON, MA**

Called to Order at 7:00 PM under M.G.L. c 131, §40 and the Hanson By-Law 3-13, §5 and Rules and Regulations by Philip Clemons, Chairman, in Meeting Room A at the Town Hall.

Present: Philip Clemons, Chairman
Sharon LePorte, Member
William Woodward, Member
Michael DeVeuve, Clerk
Rebecca Nehiley, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Paul Andruk, Vice Chairman

Also Present: Robert Scott, Holmes Street
Marian Scott, Holmes Street
Elizabeth O'Sullivan, W. Washington Street
Joseph O'Sullivan, W. Washington Street
Christine Walker
Stephen Egan

Public Hearings

7:00 PM Continued Notice of Intent for the construction of a 1,182.6 kw Solar Photovoltaic (PV) installation project within 100 feet of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland at County Road, Map 74, Lots 7 & 8 for County Road Partners, LLC represented by AMEC Massachusetts Inc., (DEP #SE175-0707)

Mr. Clemons reported that the applicant had requested a continuance to 5/28/19. For the record, the Conservation Commission had retained an independent review of the application for stormwater management and extensive communication ensued between Allen & Major Associates, Inc. and the applicant's consultant. The bottom line was that the review engineer was of the opinion that the questions were satisfied (Ltr. dated 5/14/19). Mr. Clemons would like if both parties would come to the next meeting to articulate their comments and answer questions.

Motion to continue per request of applicant until 5/28/2019 at 7:30 PM: Sharon LePorte

Second: Michael DeVeuve

Vote: 4-0-0

7:15 PM Notice of Intent for the construction of a single family house, septic system, utilities, site grading and landscaping within 100 feet of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland at Rear of 484 Pleasant Street, Map 16, Lot 15B for Judith King represented by Land Planning Inc. (DEP #SE175-0708) (New Hearing)

Mr. DeVeuve read the Public Hearing Notice and the abutters were verified. Steve Wry of Land Planning made a presentation with a revised plan dated 5/14/19. The project had been approved in 2005 and again in 2010, but the permits were allowed to expire. There was a small amount of work that was done under the previous Order of Conditions that included tree-clearing, stockpiling, installation of erosion control and rough grading of the driveway. The

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resource areas were flagged in 2009 and located by a survey in January. Ms. Grenier had made a site inspection and suggested the wetlands be reflagged. To that end, a botanist was hired to re-delineate the area and provide a report (dated 5/12/19) which confirmed that an isolated depression was a Potential Vernal Pool (PVP). The 50' no disturb zone was adjusted accordingly on the revised plan. Ms. LePorte was concerned that there was no room for a yard. Mr. Clemons suggested that the Commission set up a site inspection. Ms. Walker, a real estate agent, asked how it varied from the original plan. Mr. Wry answered the house was relocated parallel to the PVP. No other abutters were present.

Motion to continue to 5/28/19 at 7:45 PM pending a site inspection: Bill Woodward

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0

7:30 PM Notice of Intent for the demolition of an existing house and the construction of four 2-story residential buildings with associated site improvements within 100 feet of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland at 965 Main Street, Map 42, Lot 9 for Egan Development, LLC represented by Crowell Engineering (DEP #SE175-0709) (New Hearing)

Mr. DeVeuve read the Public Hearing Notice and the abutters were verified. Robert Crowell, P.E. and Stephen Egan, applicant, were present. Mr. Crowell presented a proposal for the project with a revised Site Plan dated 5/14/19, pages 1-9. The Existing Conditions Plan depicts the former ice cream stand and the existing contours. The lot which is 72,421 sq.ft. (1.663 acres) has 1,034 sq.ft. of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands onsite in the far southeast corner. The 50' and 100' buffer zones were depicted on the plans.

Mr. Crowell went on to describe the project which consisted of demolition of the existing house and the construction of 14 condominium units. All work is proposed outside of the 50' No Disturb Zone. He mentioned that Merrill Associates, Inc. is reviewing the Stormwater Management Plan under the Zoning Board of Appeals Site Plan review process. Erosion control is proposed at the limit of work and a planting plan is depicted on the "Landscaping and Erosion Control Plan" on page 8. Mr. Clemons commented that Conservation has a preference for planting native trees. Mr. Egan replied he had no problem with that.

Mr. Clemons asked how much of the site will be impervious. Mr. Crowell went briefly over the calculations and said that it meets Zoning requirements but that just over 35% of the lot will be impervious. They are not asking for any variances. Mr. Clemons said that he would be interested in looking at Merrill's report and the planting plan. Mr. Woodward commented that he had been out and walked the site today and agrees with the flagging.

Motion to approve the project subject to an Order of Conditions: Michael DeVeuve

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0

Motion to continue the hearing until 5/28/19 at 8 PM pending any new information:

Michael DeVeuve

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0

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Discussions

Request for an Extension to an Order of Conditions for the restoration work at Smitty's Bog at the Easterly side of Indian Head Street for the Hanson Conservation Commission on behalf of the Town of Hanson **(DEP #SE175-0632)**

**Motion to approve and issue a 3-year Extension for the restoration project
at Smitty's Bog:** Sharon LePorte
Second: William Woodward
Vote: 4-0-0

Request for a Certificate of Non-Completion for Rear of 484 Pleasant Street, Map 16, Lot 15B for Judith King **(DEP #SE175-0598)**

Ms. Nehiley would like to revise the paperwork and place it on our next agenda.

Request for a Certificate of Compliance at 314 Woodbine Avenue, Map 3, Lot 7 for Amy and Matthew Koskowski **(DEP #SE175-0634)**

Ms. Nehiley reported that Ms. Grenier had made a site inspection and found everything to be in substantial compliance with the approved plan including the conservation posts.

Motion to approve and issue a Certificate of Compliance: Sharon LePorte
Second: Michael DeVeuve
Vote: 4-0-0

Mr. Clemons reported the Town Administrator informed him that the Agent, Michele Grenier had resigned last week.

Motion to regretfully accept the resignation of the conservation agent: Michael DeVeuve
Second: Sharon LePorte
Vote: 4-0-0

Franklin Street Enforcement Order – tabled until 5/28/19

Old Business/New Business

Solitude Lake Mgmt./Invoice – **signed**
Whitman Hanson Express/Invoice – **signed**
WB Mason/Invoice – **signed**
Mileage Reimbursement – **signed**

Minutes

Motion to approve Minutes of April 23, 2019: Sharon LePorte
Second: Michael DeVeuve

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Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM: Michael DeVeuve

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0