

**HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF OCTOBER 5, 2022
SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM, HANSON TOWN HALL
542 LIBERTY STREET, HANSON, MA 02341**

Called to Order at 7:00 pm under M.G.L. c131, §40 and the Hanson By-Law 3-13, §5 and Rules and Regulations by Phil Clemons, Chairman, Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall, Hanson, MA. This meeting of the Hanson Conservation Commission is audio-recorded.

Present: Phil Clemons, Chairman
Thomas Roffey, Jr., Vice Chairman
David Mansfield, Clerk
Sharon LePorte, Member
Edwin Heal, Member
Lan Woodward, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Frank Schellenger, Agent

Also Present: Dan Allen, Bohler Engineering, Southborough, MA
Marcus Linn, Nathaniel Thomas Mill Committee
Michael Means, Nathaniel Thomas Mill Committee

Minutes

September 21, 2022

Motion to approve September 21, 2022 Minutes by: David Mansfield

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-1

Public Hearings

7:00 PM Request for Determination of Applicability to install an ADA ramp within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands located at Nathaniel Thomas Mill, 583 Liberty Street, Map 81, Lot 8, for Nathaniel Thomas Committee. **(New Hearing)**

Mr. Mansfield read the Public Hearing Notice and green cards were verified.

Michael Means, Nathaniel Thomas Mill Committee, stated the Committee proposes to install an ADA ramp which would be located within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands.

Chair Clemons asked if there were any questions, comments.

Motion to issue variance for work within 50' buffer zone by: Sharon LePorte

Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion to issue a Negative 3 Determination and approve project presented and to close hearing by:

Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 5-0-0

7:15 PM Request for Determination of Applicability to remodel the existing restaurant, upgrade the existing drive-thru features, and site work required to bring the site into compliance with ADA/AAB regulations located within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands located at McDonald's, 318 Liberty Street, Map 82, Lot 0-11-1, for McDonald's Real Estate Company, represented by Bohler Engineering, 352 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772. **(New Hearing)**

Mr. Mansfield read the Public Hearing Notice and green cards were verified.

Dan Allen, Bohler Engineering, presented plans to the Commission. McDonald's USA LLC is proposing to remodel existing restaurant, upgrade existing drive-thru features, and site work required to bring the site into compliance with ADA/AAB regulations. The work includes reconstructing existing sidewalks and patio along the front side of building, reconstructing the impervious area from the proposed sidewalk. Four (4) parking spaces are proposed to be converted to landscaping resulting in overall reduction in impervious coverage of +/- 362 square feet. Peak stormwater flow rates will be reduced.

Majority of site work is located within 100' of wetland buffer and only the proposed public sidewalk connection will be located outside the existing developed pavement limits. Soil erosion and a sediment control BMPs, including silt fencing and catch basin inlet grates, will be installed prior to construction. No sediment transport is anticipated to occur. The amount of impervious area onsite will be reduced and drainage patterns will remain the same as existing, resulting in no offsite impacts. Work is scheduled for early November/December and the restaurant will be closed during interior renovation and the project is expected to be about 6-8 weeks.

Chair Clemons asked if there were any additional questions, comments.

Motion to issue variance for work within 50' buffer zone by: Sharon LePorte

Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion to issue a Negative 3 Determination and approve project presented subject to Special Conditions by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion to close hearing by: David Mansfield

Second: Edwin Heal

Vote: 5-0-0

Discussions

Request for a Certificate of Compliance for Stonebridge Drive, Liberty Circle, Map 90, lot 5A for Stonebridge Condominiums, c/o James Colligan. (DEP #SE175-0396)

David Mansfield recused himself.

Motion to approve and issue a Partial Certificate of Compliance by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: Edwin Heal

Vote: 4-0-1

Emergency Certification for erosion control at Town of Hanson Camp Kiwanee, Cranberry Cove, 480 Liberty Street.

Emergency Certification for work to be allowed:

-Excavate along the lakefront edge of the parking lot as necessary to divert stormwater to the detention basin. Install logs and hay or straw bales to maximize diversion of stormwater.

-Clean out the detention basin. Remove debris, silt, and new vegetative growth.

-Lower the western berm of the detention basin and armor with rip rap, to allow overflow toward the woods; trench to woods as needed to ensure flow.

With reference to Hanson Conservation Commission memoranda to Hanson Recreation Commission (dated March 21, 2022) and Selectboard (dated September 8, 2022); The recommendations therein still stand.

Motion to approve and ratify Emergency Certification as documented by: David Mansfield

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 5-0-0

Conservation Commission review of Town Owned Properties by Town Planner in accordance with Article 35 of the 1963 Annual Town Meeting – **requires vote**

Motion to approve property review comments by Conservation Agent to submit to Town Planner by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 5-0-0

Town Meeting Update; Rescheduled to November 9 at 7:30 PM.

Property Management Update

Bay Circuit Trail; Discussion on drafting signs for trail project.

Motion to name trail Bonney Hill Trail by: Edwin Heal

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 5-0-0

Smitty's Bog; Discussion on purchase of Atlantic White Cedar trees.

Motion to authorize staff to contact Atlantic White Cedar Conservation, LLC to ensure pricing/inventory and place order for 100 trees by: Edwin Heal

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 5-0-0

Open Space Acquisition; No new update.

Old Business/New Business

Invoice for Property Boundary; Stake Out Lot Line (Land Planning, Inc.) for Bay Circuit Trail Relocation (former Plymouth County Hospital Site) Hanson, MA at 81 Pierce Avenue – Signed

Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for Nathaniel Thomas Mill, 583 Liberty Street Map, 81, Lot 8, Request Determination of Applicability – Signed

Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for McDonald's Real Estate Company, 318 Liberty Street, Map 82, Lot 0-11-1, Request for Determination of Applicability – Signed

Invoice(s) for Office Supplies (WB Mason) – Signed

Invoice for Reimbursement (Staff) Vlog Tripod for Meeting Audio Recordings – Signed

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 PM by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 5-0-0