

**HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING APRIL 19, 2023
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
David Mansfield, Clerk
Sharon LePorte, Member
Edwin Heal, Member
Frank Schellenger, Agent
Lan Woodward, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Thomas Roffey, Jr., Vice Chairman

Also Present: Terrence McGovern, ZCE Consulting Engineers, LLC
Nicholas Locke, Hanson Troop 34 Eagle Scout Project
John and Laurie Locke, Pine Grove Avenue, Hanson, MA
Marcus Linn, Hanson Troop 34 Boy Scouts
Steve Smith, Hanson, MA
Beau Dyer, Hanson, MA

Minutes

March 15, 2023

Motion to approve March 15, 2023 Minutes by: Sharon LePorte

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0

Public Hearings

7:00 PM Continued Notice of Intent to construct a new single family house, gravel driveway, subsurface sewage disposal system, utilities, site grading, and landscaping of disturbed areas within 50' of bordering vegetated wetlands at Lot 1A Lakeside Road, Map 79, Lot 26-2A for Scott Burgess, ATL Construction, represented by Steven Wry, Land Planning, Inc., 1115 Main Street Hanson, MA 02341 (**DEP# SE175-0752**)

7:15 PM Continued Notice of Intent to construct a new single family house, gravel driveway, subsurface sewage disposal system, utilities, site grading, and landscaping of disturbed areas within 50' of bordering vegetated wetlands at Lot 2A Lakeside Road, Map 79, Lot 26-2 for Scott Burgess, ATL Construction, represented by Steven Wry, Land Planning, Inc., 1115 Main Street Hanson, MA 02341 (**DEP# SE175-0753**)

7:30 PM Continued Notice of Intent to construct a new single family house, gravel driveway, subsurface sewage disposal system, utilities, site grading, and landscaping of disturbed areas within 50' of bordering vegetated wetlands at Lot 3A Lakeside Road, Map 79, Lot 26-2B for Scott Burgess, ATL Construction, represented by Steven Wry, Land Planning, Inc., 1115 Main Street Hanson, MA 02341 (**DEP# SE175-0754**)

Motion to continue hearing(s) to May 17, 2023 at 7:00 PM per request of Applicant by: Sharon LePorte

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0

8:00 PM Continued Notice of Intent to construct two bituminous concrete roadways with two cul-de-sac turnarounds, associated sidewalks, underground utilities, and drainage structures to create frontage for a nine-lot definitive subdivision located within 50' of bordering vegetated wetlands at 0 County Road, Map 74 Lots 7 and 8, Meadow Brook Farms, formerly Fern Hill Estates, for Burrage Farms LLC, represented by Morse Engineering Company, Inc., PO Box 92, Scituate MA 02066. **(DEP #SE175-0750)**

Motion to continue hearing to May 3, 2023 at 7:30 PM per request of Applicant by: Sharon LePorte
Second: David Mansfield
Vote: 4-0-0

Appointments

7:45 PM Nicholas Locke, Hanson Troop 34 Eagle Scout Project Proposal: Bay Circuit Trail Boardwalk

Nicholas Locke, Troop 34 of Hanson, presented his Eagle Scout Project Proposal, Bay Circuit Trail Bridge Update, to the Commission. Mr. Locke is proposing to add a boardwalk to an area on the Bay Circuit Trail, clear brush, replace benches on the trail, and also add a third bench. He feels it will be beneficial to people visiting trail. He plans to have a bottle/can fundraiser for the project funds. Mr. Locke plans to start in May. Mr. Mansfield will provide the Conservation Commission's Blanket Notice of Intent MA DEP sign for the project.

Motion to approve project as presented by: Ed Heal
Second: David Mansfield
Vote: 4-0-0

Discussions

Request to approve a Minor Modification to the Plan for 64 Woodman Terrace, Map 70, Lot 56 **(DEP# SE175-0744) – requires vote**

Terrence McGovern, Zenith Land Surveyors, LLC, notified the Commission that the Applicant would like to request a field change to remove two additional large pine trees at the rear of the existing house due to their condition, size, and proximity of the trees to the new house makes them a hazard. Mr. McGovern stated the stumps will remain and not be excavated, and the trees would be removed after the house is demolished so that the crane can pick up the sections and remove them without any ground disturbance.

Motion to approve a Minor Modification to Plan on file to include removal of two additional trees, retention of stumps, and the addition of appropriate amount of plantings as described by: Ed Heal
Second: David Mansfield
Vote: 4-0-0

Request for Certificate of Compliance for 200 Indian Head Street, Map 47, Lot 47-0-20-0 for Brookside Realty LLC **(DEP #SE175-0699) - requires vote and signatures**

Motion to approve and issue a Certificate of Compliance by: Sharon LePorte
Second: David Mansfield
Vote: 4-0-0

Request for Certificate of Compliance for 85 High Street, Map 42, Lot 24 for Collins Civil Engineering Group, Inc. **(DEP #SE175-0734) - requires vote and signatures**

Motion to approve and issue a Certificate of Compliance by: David Mansfield
Second: Ed Heal
Vote: 4-0-0

Upcoming Meeting Dates; May 3rd and May 17th

Conservation Properties Status; There is a Zoom meeting 04.24.23 with Town Counsel to discuss deeds for Water Department transfer, fields on Bonney Hill, and it will also include the 40 properties that do not have deeds. Agent Schellenger noted that we are looking for care and custody in most cases, this was given to Conservation, but unless it is executed, it is not final. A document is needed by Selectboard to execute.

Motion to pursue care and custody of Conservation for the properties located at Map 67, Lot 15 and Map 67, Lot 15 A by: David Mansfield

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 4-0-0

Eversource Property Update; Work in progress through the Eversource Property Management.

Property Management Update; Trash removed at areas needed. Bonney Hill Trail meadows were cleared, there is a new stairway connecting trail to Bonney Hill Lane, bog bridges were constructed at Veterans Memorial Town Forest, and Smitty's Bog had boulder placements.

Chair Clemons and Mr. Mansfield have a site meeting with the AMC trail regarding upcoming project.

Open Space Acquisition; No new update.

Old Business/New Business

Invoice for Peer Review (Ken Thomson/Botanist) Wetland Line/ Report of Findings Meadow Brook Farm MA DEP SE#175-0750 – **signed**

Invoice for Peer Review (Allen&Major Associates, Inc.) Stormwater Report and Calculations Meadow Brook Farm MA DEP SE#175-0750 – **signed**

Invoice for Boundary Markers (Quality Name Plate, Inc.) Protected Wetlands No Activity Beyond This Point – **signed**

Invoice(s) for Reimbursement (Staff/Member) Poor Meadow Bridge Project Materials and Lumber, Blades – **signed**

Invoice for Handbook (MACC) MACC Environmental - **signed**

Invoice for Annual Fire Extinguisher Maintenance (R.E. Lyons) Nathaniel Thomas Mill – **signed**

Invoice(s) for Office Supplies (WB Mason) Toner – **signed**

Invoice for The Last Meadow Bonney Hill Trail (Scott Johnson Land Clearing) Brush Mowing; 5 days – **signed**

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM by: Sharon LePorte

Second: Dave Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0