

**HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING JULY 5, 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
Thomas Roffey, Jr., Vice Chairman
David Mansfield, Clerk
Edwin Heal, Member
Stephen Smith, Associate Member
Frank Schellenger, Agent
Lan Woodward, Administrative Assistant

Also Present: Peter Lyons, Collins Civil Engineering Group, Inc.
Ron Sacchetti, Dunham Farm Condo Association, Main Street
Ann Harrington, Dunham Farm Condo Association, Main Street
Suzanne Bregoli, Dunham Farm Condo Association, Main Street

Minutes

June 7, 2023

June 21, 2023

Motion to approve minutes of June 7, 2023 and June 21, 2023 by: David Mansfield

Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

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)**

***Vice Chairman Roffey recused himself from hearing(s)**

Motion to continue hearing(s) per request of Applicant to July 19th, 2023 at 8:00 PM by: David Mansfield

Second: Edwin Heal

Vote: 3-0-1

8:00 PM Notice of Intent to repair the septic system to Title V standards within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands associated with Wompatuck Pond at 500 Liberty Street, Map 81, Lot 21, for Michael Bulman, Conway Family Properties, represented by Al Loomis, McKenzie Engineering Group, Inc., 150 Longwater Drive, Norwell, MA 02061 (DEP# SE175-) (New Hearing)

Motion to continue hearing(s) per request of Applicant to July 19th, 2023 at 7:00 PM by: David Mansfield
Second: Edwin Heal
Vote: 4-0-0

8:15 PM Notice of Intent to upgrade existing septic system to Title V standards within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands at 66 High Street, Map 42, Lot 38D, for Valter Ferreira, represented by Collins Civil Engineering Group, Inc., 224 South Main Street, West Bridgewater, MA 02379. (DEP# SE175-) (New Hearing)

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

Peter Lyons of Collins Civil Engineer Group, Inc., presented plans to the Commission. The Applicant is proposing an upgrade of septic system for the existing residential home. The Wetland Delineation was completed by Brook Monroe, Pinebrook Consulting. The Applicant is requesting a variance for work within 50' buffer zone. There will be an erosion control system of straw wattle. The leaching bed will be 51' from the wetland resource area. The Board of Health approved plans at their last meeting. There is no tree removal; grading changes are limited to the leaching field.

Chair Clemons asked if there were any questions, comments.

Three members of the Dunham Farms Condo Association were present. They have concerns regarding the wetlands behind Dunham Farms property. They feel by seeing layout, there would be more runoff going toward Dunham Farms and they would like to avoid this. There are also concerns about the distance of leaching field to existing wetland. The Condo Association would like a survey done. Without a survey, they are not going to know where they property lines are. There are too many grey lines that a survey would answer. There are stone walls marked to the North of the plan but it is not the correct property line.

Chair Clemons stated that it looks like a long shared boundary. Considering the tightness to wetlands and buffer zone and considering it isn't just that project, the property line is important. The Conservation Commission has responsibility to the resource areas.

Chair Clemons stated boundary lines should be established. We need to protect the wetlands, but want to do it properly.

Mr. Lyons stated they recreate the geometry, we located marker(s) and use CAD. It is not a requirement to have a survey.

Agent Schellenger stated it is unclear why Dunham Farms would not be marked on plan. There are no notes on plan with respect to the lines. Bounds need to be identified on the plan. Agent Schellenger suggested that Commission could request to continue hearing.

Motion to continue hearing to July 19th, 2023 at 7:15PM by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.
Second: David Mansfield
Vote: 4-0-0

8:30 PM Notice of Intent to upgrade existing septic system to Title V standards within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands at 63 Pratt Place, Map 90, Lot 3-3, for Stephen Edson, represented by Collins Civil Engineering Group, Inc., 224 South Main Street, West Bridgewater, MA 02379. (DEP# SE175-) (New Hearing)

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

Peter Lyons, Collins Civil Engineer Group, Inc., presented plans to the Commission. The proposed system is replacing a failed septic system that is in the groundwater. It will be a 1,500 gallon, 2-compartment septic tank. The off-site wetland does provide storm water retention and detention. None of the work proposed is within the wetland systems and will have no adverse effect on the function of the wetland from a storm damage prevention perspective. The Wetland Delineation was completed by Brook Monroe, Pinebrook Consulting. The Applicant is requesting a variance for work within 50' buffer zone. There will be an erosion control system of straw wattle and silt fence along the proposed work area. The leaching bed will be 56' from the wetland resource area. The tree line will not be disturbed and there is no tree or vegetation removal.

Agent Schellenger stated that the dewatering pit is by patio, is that enough? Are you going to have to pump out, if so, where will it go? If it is high, you will have to consider pumping it and placing bag on hose. If you do hit water, you will get a lot of it.

Mr. Lyons stated that if project is done in the Summer, they will not see 2' water table. We proposed dewatering and detail. Generally, with dewatering pit, it will kind of leach out.

Chair Clemons asked if there were any comments, questions.

Motion to issue variance for work within 50' buffer zone by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0

Motion to close hearing and approve Order of Conditions subject to Special Conditions by: David Mansfield

Second: Edwin Heal

Vote: 4-0-0

Appointments – (None)

Discussions

Request for Certificate of Compliance for 510 West Washington Street, Map 84, Lot 1-3 for Franklyn Centeio (DEP #SE175-0672) – requires vote and signatures:

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

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0

Request for Certificate of Compliance for 777 Whitman Street, Map 108, Lot 4 for Paulo R. Miranda (DEP #SE175-0696) – requires vote and signatures

Agent Schellenger stated that the original Order of Conditions for this project required invasive species removal and replacement. The property is set back from the street. It is a twin 775 Whitman. There is a Conservation Restriction on the West side and beyond that is a large conservation property. When project was approved, it was approved upon the Applicant planting native species in wetland. It has grown in. Agent Schellenger stated it would be okay to request donation for the amount of \$1,500.00 in lieu of that mitigation to provide mitigation to other Conservation properties. The amount was determined based on quotes received for doing that work.

Motion to approve and issue Certificate of Compliance upon receipt of donation of \$1,500.00 by: Edwin Heal

Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Vote: 4-0-0

Reorganization; Phil Clemons – Chair, Thomas Roffey, Jr. – Vice Chair, David Mansfield – Clerk, Edwin Heal – Member

Motion to Reorganize Conservation Commission as stated by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0

Recent update; Ms. LePorte has resigned from Conservation Commission.

Motion to send a letter of appreciation to Ms. LePorte by: David Mansfield

Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Vote: 4-0-0

Conservation Properties Status; Trash removal at properties needed.

Smith Nawalzeliski; Trail was cleared from parking lot, surveillance camera and sign installed.

Smitty's Bog; Deer deterrent spraying continues for the White Cedar plantings.

Poor Meadow Brook; Trail and parking lot cleared; 4 bog bridges needed

Property Management Update

Adopt-a-Trail Draft Packet and Bonney Hill Trail Signage Draft Packet in folders for review.

Open Space Acquisition; No new update

October 2023 Special Town Meeting Article

A BOS memo was issued with due date of August 6th, 2023. There are draft of articles for review. There are 2 meetings remaining for review/vote.

Old Business/New Business

Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for **126 Pierce Avenue**, Map 41, Lot 8, Det Applicability – **signed**

Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for **500 Liberty Street**, Map 81, Lot 21, Notice of Intent – **signed**

Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for **63 Pratt Place**, Map 90, Lot 3-3, Notice of Intent – **signed**

Invoice for Public Hearing Notice (Hanson Express) for **66 High Street**, Map 42, Lot 38D, Notice of Intent – **signed**

Invoice for Reimbursement (Staff/Member) Mileage – **signed**

Invoice for Reimbursement (Staff/Member) Paint/Supplies for Trail Access Gates – **signed**

Invoice for Reimbursement (Staff/Member) Smitty's Bog White Cedar Plantings Deterrent – **signed**

Invoice for Annual Membership (The American Chestnut Foundation) for **Seed Level Membership Renewal**–

Motion to approve the American Chestnut Foundation Seed Level Membership Renewal amount of \$300.00 via the Conservation Commission Donation Funds line with Donation from Michael Eosue by:
Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:51 PM by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: David Mansfield

Vote: 4-0-0