Town of Webster
Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting – June 17, 2019

Attending: Commissioners – Joseph Kunkel, Michelle Sherillo, Fred Bock and Dan Duteau
Staff – Mary Overholt, Conservation Agent,

Absent: Associate Commissioner Beau Saad and Kelly Gorham, Clerk

Meeting called to order: 5:30 p.m. Location: Gladys E. Kelly Public Library
Meeting Room

Meeting Minutes

Ms. Sherillo motion to continue approval of the minutes of the meeting on May 20, 2019 to June 3, 2019. Mr. Duteau second. Vote all in favor.

Request for Determination of Applicability

25 Colonial Rd. – This determination is for a dock and Chapter 91 dock permit application. The owners Brian and Dawn Bohenko are present. The deck area that is there now in the shallow water with tables and chairs is not legal. The docks can only be 4 feet wide and they have to be 15 feet on the land from the next door docks. The neighbor at 21 Colonial Rd. is impeding navigation by angling the dock towards their property. He is not willing to move his dock. Ms. Sherillo motion to write a letter asking them to adjust the dock to comply with Chapter 91 permit requirements and 2 week deadline to move it. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

Notice of Intent

17 South Point Rd. – Amendment to Order of Conditions DEP # 323-1032 – Continued from June 3rd, 2019 – Owners Jill Donnelly and Bruce Whittredge are present. They would like to tear down the wall and rebuild it using block. They would have to come through the neighbor’s property to do so and they have permission to do that. Mr. Bock states that we need a letter from the neighbors showing that they grant access to their property. A dead birch tree needs to be removed. When they dig the old wall, there is another tree that will be compromised. They will remove 2 trees, build in the wall with the same material, and reinforce the stairs and side wall. A railing will be placed on the left. The wall would be removed from the stump over. The wall will be fixed on the left and right of the stairs, 5 feet on one side and 25 feet on the other. Mr. Bock suggests that this hearing be continued for a letter of permission from the neighbor and more information on erosion controls. Trees should be replaced, two to one. The plantings will be saved as much as possible and put back into place. They will also be requiring an extension which expires in October, 2019. Ms. Sherillo motion to continue the public hearing. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

84 Lakeside Ave. – This project is the demolition and construction of a single family home. Mr. Kunkel opened the public hearing. The owners, Arthur and Donna Redding are present. They are reconstructing the existing garage. The garage floor will be high and slope back down to the street. The staging area will be on the driveway and the spill kit is noted on the plan. They will remove the Japanese maple and one dead tree. The tree replacement will be two to one. The house is being reconstructed. They will come back
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with an amendment to remove invasive vegetation. They would also like to make a sitting area near the shore. The erosion controls are the limit of work. The shed will stay. They will dig a trench at the end of the driveway to take care of some of the driveway runoff. The system will infiltrate the roof runoff. The pervious calculations are in the stormwater report. There is an Operation and Maintenance Plan. The front yard plantings will be ripped up, including some burning bush which will require extra care to remove. Mr. Bock motion to close the public hearing. Ms. Sherillo second. Vote all in favor. Mr. Bock motion to issue standard order of conditions including the following: the erosion controls are the limit of work, two trees to be removed, tree replacement two to one, the only work beyond the erosion controls is one tree to be removed and the stump to remain. Ms. Sherillo second. Vote all in favor.

Discussion

21 Mark Ave. – Certificate of Compliance DEP# 323-1111 – There are no concerns except the gravel. A border or larger riprap should be put in to keep fine gravel from going into the Lake. Ms. Overholt will send an email with some suggestions.

The Chairman received a packet concerning issues on Loveland Rd.

0 Wakefield Ave. – David Ochocki from JD& D Construction, Inc. is present. 2 fines were issued, one fine was for working while under a Stop Work Order. They would like to move forward with a planting plan. Their planting plan was done by Jalbert Engineering, who works with a wetland scientist. 5 trees were removed and they will be replaced with 5 new trees in the wetland area. Arborvitae can be planted and should be cedar. Restored trees need to be indicated on the plan. Mr. Ochocki states that the original plan was approved. Ms. Overholt will check the minutes from past meetings and provide a chronology of events.

13 Pavilion Ave. – 25 ft. setback informal discussion – The plans were reviewed. They would like to expand the building by 160 square feet and are proposing a screen porch and deck that is about 500 square feet. Under the deck will be grass or gravel. Ms. Sherillo states that this proposal is too close to the Lake. They want to square off the back of the house. They asked about the variance procedure.


Find out what is required for a dock ad for the newspaper.

Harrington Hospital – Did the Board request a fence to be installed? There is grass in the wetland near the bridge. Ms. Overholt will send them a letter requesting the results of a Spring water test.

Mr. Bock motion to adjourn at 8:00. Ms. Sherillo second. Vote all in favor

Next Meeting Date: July 1, 2019 – Board of Selectmen Meeting Room
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Documents:

25 Colonial Rd. – Photos from site visit on June 13, 2019.

17 South Point Rd. – Notice of Intent Site Plan; prepared by H.S. & T. Group Inc.; dated May 16, 2016; 24”x 36”; 2 sheets.

84 Lakeside Ave. – Site Plan of Land in Webster Massachusetts; prepared by John R. Farren; dated May 28, 2019; 17” x 24”; 1 sheet.

13 Pavilion Ave. – Plan of Land; prepared by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc.; dated October 5, 2018; 24”x 36”; 1 sheet.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Gorham
Conservation & Planning Clerk

Conservation Commission Approval: [Signature] Date: 7-29-19