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**Town of Webster
Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting – April 25, 2016**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Attending: Commissioners – Richard Franas, Paul Fiske, Al Huefner, and Joseph Kunkle
Staff – Ted Tetreault, Building Commissioner

Absent: Commissioners – Beau Saad, Jeff Dowgiewicz, Joseph Kabalah

Meeting called to order: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Basement Conference Room

Minutes

Chairman Franas asked the Commission if anyone had comments for the minutes from March 28 and March 11, 2016. Minor discussion ensued. Mr. Huefner motioned to approve the minutes from March 28, 2016. Mr. Fiske second; vote all in favor.

Mr. Fiske motioned to approve the minutes from April 11, 2016. Mr. Huefner second; vote three in favor, one abstention.

Public Meeting – 29 South Point Road -- RDA

Chairman Franas explained the Saturday site visit and asked the Commissioners that were in attendance to indicate what they observed. Mr. Huefner noted that the proposed work was “pretty standard” which included replacing windows and siding. Chairman Franas reiterated using “best practices,” no debris in the resource area, installing a debris fence along the water, any materials needing to be removed into a dumpster that is covered, all non-biodegradable materials to be cut away from the resource area with the use of a tarp and vacuum attachments.

Mr. Huefner motioned to grant negative determination with conditions at 29 South Point Road. Mr. Fiske second; vote: all in favor.

The applicant asked where to install the debris fence. Chairman Franas responded with the resource area be covered.

Public Hearing – 70 Killdeer Island Road -- NOI

Chairman Franas opened the public hearing for 70 Killdeer Island Road. The representative explained the scope of work to include the construction of an addition to an existing single family residence and associated grading. The representative addressed the DEP's comments which were illustrated on his plans including the existing drain lines. Chairman Franas asked about the scale of the elevations stating that all the plans the Conservation Commission has ever seen has been in the 400's whereas the representative's plans are in the 200 area. Discussion ensued regarding what the Town of Webster requires about the elevations. Chairman Franas indicated that Webster's Flood Plain is at 481, therefore, all plans need to illustrate this. Dr. Canavan agreed that the plans need to be adjusted to reflect the flood plain level. The representative questioned how he can change it as he is working outside the flood plain area. Chairman Franas indicated that it needs to be addressed. He also noted that a small drain in the corner of the driveway, roughly a foot squared, a grate with a 4" pipe also needs to be addressed because it runs down a steep grade from the driveway and into the lake. Mr. Huefner stated that way the swale was shown on the plan was under water. He also said the front patio would be under water, too. The representative noted that he can move it back, but the plan was to provide as much rip-rap to reduce velocity and to reduce the area of sedimentation. Mr.

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Kunkle suggested putting a drop manhole. Mr. Huefner noted that would put the neighbors at risk. Mr. Kunkle stated it was not a honeycomb manhole, but one that was fully sealed. Chairman Franas indicated Mr. Kunkle's suggestion was good as long as it had appropriate maintenance.

Dr. Canavan noted that besides awaiting for the floodplain corrections, the project looks like an improvement. He also suggested creating more open channels to direct impervious pipe to edge of resource. Therefore, there would be some loss of water due to infiltration with the riprap swale, but if more amenable to the legion catch basin, it may be another way to try to impede the flow from going directly into the resource area. He also noted that the majority of the project is more than 100 feet away from the lake.

Chairman Franas noted as a further condition to add a legion catch basin. The representative pointed out two issues: cost and then the breakout of the storm water during heavy storm events. Dr. Canavan suggested how to redo his calculations. Mr. Huefner noted that in heavier rains, the drain system isn't handling it. The representative said it was due to being a high traffic area and the garden area was constantly changing, but didn't get it seeded last spring. He said the owner didn't know of any water overflow. Dr. Canavan asked of seldom side issue and questioned the 4". The representative discussed (inaudible). Dr. Canavan asked if the representative was going to trench the entirety. The representative said no (then inaudible).

Mr. Huefner noted that there is a small slope on one side of the garage, and where the proposed garage is to be built, it may put more water toward the drain and illustrated where the water flows based on the site visit. The representative noted that he was not trying to concentrate on that side, but rather go in the opposite direction. Mr. Huefner asked about the crown and the representative noted that the crown was shifting.

Chairman Franas reiterated the scale of the plans. Dr. Canavan suggested finding a known point and moving forward with the calculations. Chairman Franas was concerned about setting a precedent that is inconsistent. The representative noted that he can revise the plans. Mr. Huefner asked when was the representative looking to start his work. The representative noted in May. Chairman Franas indicated that the next meeting is May 16 and would like to see revised plans with elevations.

Chairman Franas also asked to revise the plans of the existing yard drain. The representative proposed two options (inaudible), and Mr. Huefner noted the sump would be a good idea. Chairman Franas said there was a very tiny sump there now. The representative said the biggest problem was to maintain it.

The representative listed what he was changing on the plans. Dr. Canavan asked if the representative could update the datum based on FEMA flood plains.

The representative requested a continuance from the Commission.

Mr. Huefner motioned to continue the hearing for 70 Killdeer Island Road as requested by the applicant. Mr. Fiske second; vote all in favor.

Public Hearing – Lot # 4, Sutton Road -- NOI

Commissioner Franas opened the public hearing. Building Commissioner Ted Tetrault noted a note from Ms. Donoghue stating the DEP File Number had not come in and should continue it. The applicant requested an extension because of the DEP number to May 16, 2016. The applicant also asked what to have prepared for the next meeting. Mr. Huefner asked where the drainage would be located. Chairman Franas

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asked for the applicant to prepare and amendment for the water flow ditch underneath the culvert. The applicant noted nothing would change and everything would remain in place.

Chairman Franas asked for the site to be marked off where the house and the major facilities would be located. He also reiterate best practices, storage of materials, etc.

Chairman Franas asked for plans. The applicant said he gave them in 2007 and more recently. Chairman Franas asked for 2 sets of plans for the house construction sequence.

The applicant requested to continue the public hearing.

Mr. Fiske motioned to continue the public hearing of Lot 4, Sutton Road to May 16, 2016. Mr. Huefner second; vote all in favor.

Discussion – Extension of Aquatic Control Technology

Dr. Canavan noted the correspondence received was from the herbicide company used around the lake and have recently changed their name. Chairman Franas read the correspondence, requesting an extension of the continued management around the lake for an additional three years.

Chairman Franas asked to put on the next agenda on May 16, 2016 to provide a presentation to the Commission.

Mr. Fiske motioned to contact Solitude/ACT to come to the May 16, 2016 meeting to present plan. Mr. Huefner second; vote all in favor.

Discussion – 59 Wakefield Avenue

Chairman Franas discussed that the site visit team decided not to visit as the Commission has no authority over the docks. Mr. Huefner asked what role does the Commission have regarding the permitting process for the docks? Chairman Franas said that he would call the DEP Circuit Rider to discuss the Commission's role. Mr. Tetreault indicated that the Docks Committee was looking into the Town's jurisdiction. Mr. Huefner noted at the present time, the Town has no oversight of the dock permitting process. Chairman Franas noted that the state has an existing process and noted that there has been some issues with the Docks Committee and moving forward. The process includes filling out paper work with the State, and providing schematics.

Mr. Tetreault indicated that the Board of Selectmen act as the Harbor Master and receives notice at this point. Dr. Canavan noted that if there are alterations to the docks, then an application must be filed to the Commission.

Next Meeting Date: May 16, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. – Basement Conference Room

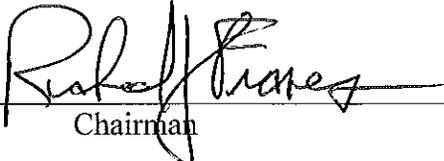
Meeting adjourned 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Meagen P. Donoghue

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Director of Planning & Economic Development

Conservation Commission Approval:  Date: 5/16/16
Chairman