



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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November 18, 2004

Jim Finn – Chairman
Dennis Senibaldi – Vice-Chairman
Bruce Anderson – Secretary (Excused)
Lisa Linowes – Member
Pamela Skinner – Member
Ton Seniow – Member (Absent)
Bernie Rouillard – Alternate (Absent)
Rick Adams – Alternate (Absent)

Meeting called to order at 8:00pm at the Nesmith Library.

Joe Maynard of Benchmark Engineering – Lakeview Farm Dredge and Fill

Mr. Maynard submitted a Dredge and Fill application to fill 9400 sq. ft. of wetlands. He characterized the wetland as emergent wetland. Of the total, 8700 sq. ft. is in a narrow drainage way. The second fill is required for a drainage crossing. Mr. Maynard reported that 6570 sq. ft of wetland would be created on the property to replace the wetlands filled. The Commission asked questions pertaining to the plan including road widths and building placement. Mr. Maynard agreed to come back to the Commission at the next regular meeting to discuss details of the plan beyond the dredge and fill. Mr. Senibaldi motioned and Ms. Skinner seconded a motion for the Conservation Commission to write a letter to DES stating it had no issues with the dredge and fill application. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

Dave Brouillet of Herbert and Assoc. – Driveway on Goodhue Road Lot 8-B-5700

Mr. Brouillet presented a plan to fill 1273 sq. ft. for two crossings of a single driveway. The first crossing would impact 549 sq. ft.; the second would have 727 sq. ft impact. Mr. Brouillet stated that the applicant wanted to place 2-24" culverts under the driveway due to cost considerations. The Commission had understood from prior conversations with the applicant's engineer that the area would be bridged. The total length of the driveway is to be 1300' with a 200' area requiring fill of up to 20 feet. Mr. Brouillet stated that the driveway would be 10' in width. It was stated that nearly the entire length of the driveway would be in WWPD. The Commission questioned whether the fire department or building department would permit a driveway at 10' wide. The Commission expressed concern at the amount of disturbance in the WWPD as well as the amount of fill to reduce driveway steepness. The Commission asked Mr. Brouillet to return to with a plan that considered bridging the wetlands.



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Dave Jordan of T.F. Moran – Labrador Enterprises, Lot 13-B-1

Mr. Paul Carideo presented a plan to fill 9990 sq. ft. of wetland. The area would be paved and used to store damaged vehicles. Currently, Rogers Auto Body maintains its vehicles across the street on the property they previously occupied. Jim Gove and Luke Hurley of Gove Environmental discussed the condition of the wetland, the DOT plan to build a detention pond on the property, and the proximity to other wetlands on the property. The Mr. Gove stated that DES was aware of the plan and would agree to the dredge and fill. The Commission questioned why Rogers did not plan for this expansion when they moved across the street. There was also discussion as to whether other parts of the property on the Salem side could be utilized rather than filling the wetland. No decisions were taken at the meeting. The case was continued to the December 9 meeting.

Paul Mansback of Neuman & Associates – Thompson Residence Lot 11-C-2553

Mr. Mansback submitted a plan to erect a 2-story garage where a portion of the garage is in the WWPD and much of the existing driveway is in the buffer. Mr. Mansback described the protected wetland as a running brook. The 3-car garage is within 50' of a running brook. Mr. Mansback requested that the Commission support the plan for a variance in order to build in the WWPD. The Commission had not received the variance application, but stated the Commission generally would not endorse work within the WWPD. The Commission noted that it would likely review the variance application at the December 9th meeting.

Mr. Mark Gross 61 Indian Rock Road – Planning Board Request for Comments

Mr. Mark Gross presented a concept plan for a 3-story, 39,960 sq. ft. office building. There was brief discussion regarding the current building on the property and how it would differ post-construction. Points of discussion: parking, visibility and access of the building, impact to wetlands. Mr. Gross stated that the plans for 111/93 would involve a possible taking of the property. No decisions made or comments filed.

Minutes

No minutes reviewed.

Review of Zoning Board Cases

No cases reviewed.

Other Business

Mrs. Linowes reminded the Commission that the Nature Conservancy and DOT would be walking the SE lands on Monday, November 29 at 9:30am. The Board of Selectmen was invited to attend the walk.



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Ms. Linowes notified the Commission that the Board of Selectmen agreed to place the Commission on its December 13 agenda to review the completion of our SE land purchases as defined in March/April 2003.

The Commission agreed to have Ms. Linowes work with Secretary Pat Kovolyn to prepare a list of people to receive holiday cards.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is scheduled for December 9, 2004 at 7:30 PM at the Planning and Development Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

These minutes are in draft form and are respectfully submitted for approval.

--Lisa Linowes