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CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 19, 2013 PAGE #13-67

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Ed Schwarz, Vice Chairman Tom Failla, Catherine Minter, Robert Turner, Michiel Zegers, and Ted von Rosenvinge

Meeting on digital recording dated 12/19/13

Mr. Failla opened the December 19th Regular meeting of the Weston Conservation Commission at 7:30 p.m.

WALK DATE:

The walk was set for Saturday, January 4, 2014. The Commissioners will meet at 8:00 a.m.

RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS:

- Bertasi, 39 W. Branch Road, new house (Chappa-Paolini Engineers)
- Cole, 1 Dillon Pass, new house (Land Tech)
- Halpin, 10 Norfield Farm Road, new house (Land Tech)

Mr. Pattee left a note that all three applications were complete and appropriate for receipt.

MOTION:

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application of Bertasi, 39 W. Branch Road, and Mr. Zegers seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (5-0).

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Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application of Halpin, 10 Norfield Farm Road, and Mr. Zegers seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (5-0).

DISCUSSION OF APPLICATION: KNAPP, 17 KETTLE CREEK ROAD, DEMOLITION OF TENNIS COURT & NEW HOUSE (MK CONSTRUCTION)

The applicant was not present at the time the Commission was ready to discuss the application so it was tabled until the representative appeared.

POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION: RELATED TO PENDING LITIGATION – JAMES M. PJURA, CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, WESTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND TOWN OF WESTON V. NAUSHIN SARFRAZ

Mr. Turner recused himself from the discussion.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing a letter received by the DEEP, and Mr. Zegers seconded the motion. All in favor the motion carried (6-0).

MOTION TO RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to re-enter regular session at 8:22 p.m., with no votes or decisions made, and Ms. Minter seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

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Michelle Knight, owner and contractor, came forward to discuss the application. She presented the plans for the Commissioners to review. Mr. Schwarz noted that they should have a double silt fence with hay bales in between and questioned why they could not move the location of the house 20 feet further away from the wetlands. Ms. Knight noted that they could not because of the restrictions from the driveway ordinances to have the proper turn around distance and maintain the 10 ft. from the property line. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Failla then questioned whether they would be willing to establish a limit of disturbance line so future property owners would know that it stays in the natural state. She did not think it would be an issue but would want to check with her attorney. Discussion on stabilization of spoils from the tennis court and erosion controls continued.

Mr. Failla then questioned what the sequence of construction would be and Ms. Knight explained that first she will do the driveway cut-in and then the tennis court will come out by excavating the clay and removing it in dump trucks. Mr. Failla noted that the Commission would require a certified letter from whoever takes it away certifying what the truck driver did with the clay. Discussion continued.

Following discussion, the matter was continued to next month's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Failla made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2013 Regular Meeting and Ms. Minter seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (5-0).

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Zegers made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Delana Lustberg
Recording Secretary