

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman, Ed Schwarz, Vice-Chairman, Catherine Minter, Michael Zegers, James Smith, Ted von Rosenvinge

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Mr. Schwarz opened the December 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Weston Conservation Commission at 7:30 p.m.

SET WALK DATE

The walk date was set for Saturday, January 3, 2015. The Commissioners will meet at Town Hall at 8:00 a.m.

RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS

- Ruff – River Road & Good Hill, new house, septic, well & driveway (Larry Edwards Assoc.)

MOTION FOR RECEIPT

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application of Ruff, River Road & Goodhill Road, and Ms. Minter seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

DISCUSSION OF APPLICATION: BIRD, 9 SASQUA TRAIL, REMOVE EXISTING POOL, NEW POOL IN SAME LOCATION, DECKING, PATIO, SHED/CABANA (R.I. POOLS)

Franco from RI Pools came forward to present the application. He explained that the existing pool needs work and the owners want to replace it with gunite. The new pool would be in the same area but further away from the pond. The existing concrete decking is to be removed and replaced with a wood deck. He explained that they will now be using boulders instead of the row of railroad ties. Discussion ensued of how to access the area.

Discussion then turned to the cabana. Franco drew in cultek systems on the plan for the outdoor shower. Following a question posed regarding how they proposed to remove and replace the dock, Franco explained that they would be using straps not a claw to remove the dock and would be using the same composite material for the new deck and dock. He also indicated the location of the pool equipment and propane tank on the plan.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the application of Bird, 9 Sasqua Trail, to remove and replace the pool, decking and dock and build a cabana as shown on plans prepared by Shevlin Land Surveying dated 2/20/13 and revised 11/11/2014 with further revisions dated 12/18/2014, subject to the Standard Conditions A-I. J. If any changes need to be made to the existing plan, the applicant must review with the Conservation Planner for a determination on whether to return

to the Commission or if it can be approved administratively. K. All of the decking and the dock will be made out of a composite material approved by DEEP. Ms. Minter seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

DISCUSSION OF APPLICATION: MOCHEL, 46 VALLEY FORGE – SEPTIC REPAIR, (KAISER-BATTISTONE)

Steve Mochel, owner, came forward and explained that the proposed area for the septic was the only area on the property with well drained soils. There was one additional area that was tested and the soils were found to be not native and could not support a septic system. He explained that the well was designed by WWHD, and the FEMA line was approved. Mr. Mochel then indicated the location of the silt fence and stockpile area. The Commissioners suggested that they run the silt fence around the stockpile to the shed.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve septic repair as shown on a plan prepared by J. Edwards & Associates and plans dated 9/22/14 and revised 11/11/14, 12/15/14 and 12/18/2014, subject to the Standard Conditions A-I. Mr. Spaulding seconded, All in favor the motion carried (6-0).

DISCUSSION OF APPLICATION: MANNING, 115 TREADWELL LANE – NEW HOUSE (GRUMMAN)

Dean Martin, P.E. from Grumman Engineering came forward representing the applicants. He explained that the owner is working on getting the fill removed from the property. Mr. Schwarz stated that they have to do test samples on the soil. Mr. von Rosenvinge stated that the first step should be the restoration plan, there is a significant amount of fill and they need to know what has been placed there. Discussion was continued to the next meeting.

DISCUSSION OF APPLICATION CONT.: MAKOWSKI, 8 HILLSIDE ROAD SOUTH, WETLANDS RESTORATION PLAN

Alexandra Mark, wetland soil scientist, professional geologist and landscape designer came forward along with Mr. Makowski, owner. She alleges that the neighbor pushed the stream onto her client's property and filled wetlands which also affected his property. She stated that the neighbor had a violation also and asked for them to be required to come forward too. Mr. Makowski stated that he hasn't started the remediation work in the previously approved area. Discussion ensued regarding removal of fill in the second area. Mr. Schwarz stated that the second area of fill is to be removed to the satisfaction of the Conservation Planner.

MOTION

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to remove the fill in the previously approved location and also the location closer to the house, as shown on plans prepared by Land Surveying Services dated 6/22/2003, revised 11/10/2014, subject to the standard conditions A-I and J. Double silt fencing with hay bales in between are to be installed to the satisfaction of the Conservation Planner. Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the Minutes from the November 20, 2014 meeting, as amended, and Mr. Zegers seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. Minter made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Smith seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Delana Lustberg  
Recording Secretary