

Conservation Commission Minutes 02/20/19

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Present for the Conservation Commission and attending the meeting were: Joan Malkin, Chairman, Bob Hungerford, Vice Chairman, Candy Shweder, Sandy Broyard, Chris Murphy, Pam Goff and Chuck Hodgkinson. Elise Elliston, Todd Vanderhoop and Chris Kennedy also attended. Maureen Eisner and Russell Maloney did not attend.

The meeting came to order at 12:30 PM.

DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY; AMERA IGNACIO AND TODD VANDERHOOP FOR JOHN AND SHARON FRASCOTTI; 16 Squibnocket Rd.; AP 35-17.2:

Mr. Vanderhoop discussed the site visit and plan to remove several dead trees along Squibnocket Road. Some of the trees are located within the 100-foot buffer zone of a wetland draining into a coastal pond. The wetland is on the opposite side of a paved roadway (Squibnocket Road). The closest tree is approximately 60 feet from the wetland edge. All work will be done by hand and the tree stumps will be left in place for ground stability on the slope. He added the trees with the yellow tags will be pruned. After brief discussion a motion was made for a negative determination. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously with six in favor.

DISCUSSION SE 12 – 824; ELISE ELLISTON FOR BRICKYARD BEACH ASSOCIATION; 5 Trustees Lane; AP 14-

22.4: Chuck H. explained an Order was issued August 2018 to replace the buried utility lines. Some trenching passed through a wetland and buffer zone. The conditions stated the 2-ft. wide trench through the wetland shall be dug on the north, northwest side of the current path. The width of the work area will be 3-4 wider than the path. Also, the existing culvert is to be replaced with a box culvert for easier wildlife passage while minimizing temporary disturbance.

Ms. Ellison explained the existing power line was found to be on the north side of the path rather than in the center. She proposed having the trench through the wetland dug on the south, southeast side—which is farther from the wetland. Mr. Kennedy from The Trustees said he would prefer to hand dig the utilities under the current corrugated culvert rather than remove and replace it with a box culvert. He explained this would reduce the disturbance in the sensitive wetland. After brief discussion the Commission thought this is an improvement to the original plan. A motion was made to declare the change as inconsequential and an improvement to the original plan. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved with six in favor. A second motion was made to approve the revised plan as presented. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously with six in favor.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE SE 12 – 786; ROBERT ALDEN; 140 State Rd.; AP 33-17: Chuck H. explained an Order was issued in 2017 to license and maintain an existing elevated walkway over a salt marsh and on land under Salt Ponds on Stonewall Pond. The Chapter 91 license was issued in Dec. 2018. The property is for sale. He recommended the project is in full compliance with the on-going condition # 1 of reviewing any future maintenance activity with the Commission or its designee before any work is done. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report and issue the Certificate as recommended. The motion passed unanimously with six in favor.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AMENDED SE 12 – 120; SCHEUER; 14 Herring Run; AP 34-3: Chuck H. explained an Amended Order was issued in July 1990 to construct a built-in swimming pool and foot bridge. A Certificate of Compliance was issued in 1996 but, never filed at the Registry of Deeds. He recommended issuing a new Certificate declaring the project is in full compliance. A motion was made to accept the recommendation. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved with six in favor.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE SE 12 – 168; SCHEUER; 14 Herring Run; AP 34-3: Chuck H. explained an Order was issued in 1992 to install a septic system. The work was never done. He recommended issuing a Certificate declaring an invalid Order of Conditions. A motion was made and seconded to issue the Certificate as recommended. The motion passed with six in favor.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE SE 12 – 818; SCHEUER; 14 Herring Run; AP 34-3: Chuck H. explained an Order was issued in August 2018 to install two enhanced septic systems and two water wells. The original lot was subdivided into three separate lots. One of the newly-created lots has been sold. This lot is no longer a part of the parcel that will have any work performed. He recommend issuing a partial Certificate of Compliance removing Subdivision Lot 6 (21256-D) and Lot 9 (21256-E) from the scope of work for this Order. A motion was made and seconded to issue the partial Certificate of Compliance. The motion passed unanimously with six in favor.

ADMINISTRATION:

The draft February 6, 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as amended by consensus.

Signatures:

Determination of Applicability Frascotti; AP 35-17.2.
Certificate of Compliance SE 12 – 786; Alden; AP 33-17.
Certificate of Compliance SE 12 – 120; Scheuer; AP 34-3.
Certificate of Compliance SE 12 – 168; Scheuer; AP 34-3.
Partial Certificate of Compliance SE 12 – 818; Scheuer; AP 34-3.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 6, 2019 @ 12:30 PM.

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Chuck Hodgkinson, C.A.S.