Minutes of the Meeting for the Halifax Conservation Commission October 25, 2022

These minutes are an abstract of the Conservation Commission meeting held Tuesday, October 25, 2023, which are on file with the Conservation Department and posted on the Town of Halifax website and Area58 Halifax's YouTube page. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NE5FnaKPSNM

Present at the Meeting: Kathy Evans, Chair, Edward Lane, Co-Chair, Steve Goodman, Member, Debbie Ballem, Conservation Commission Secretary.

Absent: Kimberley King, Secretary.

Chair Evans calls the Halifax Conservation Commission meeting into session at 7:00pm and states members present.

FOR VOTE AND SIGNATURE:

7:00 PM - 359 Plymouth Street: Invalid Certificate of Compliance.

• Board discussed the fact that no work was ever done on the property in accordance with the Order of Conditions. It was determined that because it is expired, the Order of Conditions is invalid. Board signed appropriate signature page.

7:05 PM - 13 Ocean Avenue: Edward Lane and Steven Goodman sign Determination issued on October 11th, 2022.

• Co-Chair Lane and Member Goodman signed the Determination of Applicability issued on October 11th, 2022.

7:10 PM – 460 Monponsett Street: Certificate of Compliance.

• The Board discussed and signed the Certificate of Compliance.

A motion was made to approve the Certificate of Compliance.

Motion: Edward Lane Second: Steve Goodman ALL in Favor: (3-0)

DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN:

31 Ocean Avenue and Holmes Street Discuss status of violations.

- <u>31 Ocean Avenue</u>: Board discussed getting the appropriate paperwork together for evidence at the upcoming court date.
- <u>Holmes Street</u>: Board discussed the fact that it was difficult to tell who removed trees at the Holmes Street address(es). One of the owners contacted the office and said that it is not their property.

Review job descriptions of Conservation Secretary/Agent/Administrator

• Board discussed combining the job descriptions of Conservation Secretary/Agent/Administrator. Chair Evans will work on the job description.

Discussion and vote on M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53G to collect fees to hire outside consultants.

 The Board discussed collecting fees to hire outside consultants and the applicant is responsible for that fee. This goes into a revolving account to pay those fees for services.

A motion was made to establish an escrow account for M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53G.

Motion: Edward Lane Second: Steve Goodman ALL in Favor: (3-0)

314 Plymouth Street: Proposed Project - Review Planning Board Site Plan.

- The Board discussed proposed project and reviewed the Site Plan for an Urgent Care Clinic, Starbucks, and an Auto Zone.
 - The Board determined that a Stormwater Management plan and wetland line delineation are required. Will need to come before the Conservation Commission.

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Read and sign interoffice memos or other correspondence.

Board read and signed interoffice memos or correspondence.

Other Business: **Any other unscheduled business following posting of this Agenda.

 Board discussed anything over an acre a general permit through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is required. EAP also regulates erosion and stormwater as well. Properties over an acre should come before Conservation. Board suggested putting 63 Carver this topic on the next agenda.

Motion was made to Adjourn at 7:23pm:

Motion: Edward Lane Second: Steve Goodman ALL in Favor: (3-0)

NEXT MEETING: November 8, 2022

Respectfully typed and submitted by: Peggy Selter, Administrative Assistant Conservation Commission

Approved Date: July 18, 2023

Kathy Evans, Chair

Edward Lane, Co-Chair

Steve Goodman, Member