

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HALIFAX CONSERVATION COMMISSION

March 10, 2020

A meeting of the Halifax Conservation Commission was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 in Meeting Room #1, Second Floor. Chairperson Gerry Fitzgerald opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Chairperson, Gerry Fitzgerald; Chris Hadorn, Clerk; Ed Lane, member; Kathy Evans, Vice-chairperson **Absent: John Peck & Associate Colleen Fuimara**

Appointments/Hearings:

7:00 p.m. NOI – 20 Baker Street.

Present: Dan & Oliver Orwig: Orwig Associates

Presented plan from Assessors Map for 20 Baker St. next to a paper street down to the water. Reviewed plan with the members- house is within the setback, now non-conforming. Addition will be in the 50' buffer. Paved driveway, concrete pad & existing walk and reinforcing retaining wall. Tree line goes thru the public way. Propose a subsurface drainage plan to reduce amount of run-off to the lake to go with the proposal to build an 18' x 18' (2 story) addition. Will only be 4' into the buffer zone. Mr. Fitzgerald asked if it will be a full foundation. Mr. Oliver Orwig advised it would be a frost wall. Continued to show floor plans of the proposed addition and elevations.

Motion to accept/approve Notice of Intent with standard order of conditions for 20 Baker St. with no storage of materials inside the 50' (buffer zone)

Motion: Ed Lane

Seconded: Chris Hadorn All in Favor

7:10 p.m. RDA - 59 Paradise Lane

Present: Donnalee Smith

Need to take down trees, brought pictures and presented to members. About 30' from lake. Members prefer for her to keep the stumps to keep the bank intact, not grinding. Will hold the banking tighter. Propose to take a total of 7 trees, the remainder are in the front, outside the 100 ft border. (keep pictures for file).

Motion for a Negative 3 finding (standard order of Conditions)

Motion: Chris Hadorn

Seconded: Ed Lane All in favor

7:15 p.m. Partial COC – 18 Riders Way

Present: for Dereck Varley- buyers of the new house

Need to receive a Cert. of Compliance for the closing. Subdivision of Jordiss Rain Estates, Notice of Intent was for the "whole" parcel, then the subdivision, did not do it by lots. Propose on the form that the lot 2-6 does not have any wetlands, so take out of the NOI as it is not subject to the Order of Conditions.

Motion for a Partial release of Order of Conditions for lot 2-6; 18 Riders Way

Motion: Kathy Evans

Seconded: Ed Lane

All in favor

7:20 p.m. – 241 Franklin St. Solar Array

Present: Bob & Mike DiBona, abutters to property

Ed Lane did walk the property , the erosion controls are in place and can proceed with construction. No trees have been taken down or cut yet. The DiBona's asked to see the plan, and question on the storm water management basin. Has to comply with the approved plan. Stated some confusion of the "house lot" out front. They presented pictures of washout at the bridge and the basin has not been constructed yet. Members and DiBona's reviewed the plans. All departments will ensure the proposed is what they construct and complete.

Developer would like in writing that the members verified erosion controls and can proceed with construction.

Motion to proceed forward at the solar field at 241 Franklin St.

Motion: Ed Lane

Second: Chris Hadorn

All in favor

Continued on as to amend vote to include that the developer has to repair the bridge before construction can begin. Temporary bridge to be repaired

Motion: Ed Lane

Seconded: Chris Hadorn

All in favor

Discussion:

14 Old Farm Road- possible violation.

Present: James Hevey owner

Plot plan from the building department reviewed. Mr. Fitzgerald walked the site with the owner upon receipt of complaint. Building a structure and clearing wetlands. Mr. Hevey advised he did not build the structure, was existing when bought property. Taking down dead fallen trees. Members need to know where he is in respect to the wetlands. Mr. Hevey stated he would like to cut some apple trees and blueberry bushes. Trying to get airflow. Mr. Fitzgerald stated can get permission or variance. Clearly he has done some work out there, need to figure out where. (secretary made a copy of the plot plan) Required to get it on record for trees fell over. Come back with a drawn plan of area that has been disturbed and what he wants to do XYZ in the areas. Members requested he come back to the next meeting. Measure off from the house to areas being worked on. Take pictures for town records. Will determine what can be done. Put the "structure" on the plan as well. If necessary, need to get a botanist to determine if the tree needs to come down. Put all work to be performed on the request. Next meeting is March 24th at 7:00 p.m. Take pictures and come back.

Meeting minutes/Bills Payable

Members reviewed meeting minutes

Motion to approve minutes from February 25, 2020

Motion: Ed Lane

Seconded: Chris Hadorn

All in favor

Motion to approve bill for Ply/Hal Express for Ad: 20 Baker St. NOI

Motion: Chris Hadorn

Seconded: Ed Lane All in favor

Discussion:

Accountant: Sandy Nolan, memo to transfer of funds from Wetlands to Wetland Clerical. Again requesting to warrant as there is enough in the account, and if require can use the Wetlands Account. Secretary to sent memo.

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Chris Hadorn

Seconded: Ed Lane All in Favor

Documents/Mail

Agenda: General Notes of meeting; mail; email and documents to include:

memo from Town Accountant – Sandy Nolan; Franklin St. Solar request; email from G. Fitzgerald Re: 14 Old Farm Rd. ; MACC training, cancelled; Mass Audubon

Respectfully submitted,

Date Approved: 4/28/2010

Signatures: 
