MINUTES OF THE MEETING HALIFAX CONSERVATION COMMISSION

August 11, 2020

A meeting of the Halifax Conservation Commission was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 in the Selectman's Meeting Room First Floor, Chairperson Kathy Evans opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Chairperson, Kathy Evans, Chris Hadorn and Gerry Fitzgerald.

Absent: Ed Lane and John Peck and Assoc. Colleen Fiumara

Appointments/Hearings:

7:00 p.m. RDA: 48 Plymouth St.

No one present for the hearing. Standard RDA, repair of septic system, looks all to be outside the 50' buffer.

Motion to approve the RDA for 48 Plymouth St. with a Negative 3 (standard order of conditions) and approval from the Health Board

Motion: Gerry Fitzgerald

Second: Chris Hadorn All in favor

Discussion - Scott Burgess.

Renovation project at 5156 Monponsett St. Presented pictures to the members. House sitting 6+yrs, not occupied. Very overgrown, rotted out. Spoke with Bldg. dept about renovations. Mr. Fitzgerald asked for a plot plan. Mr. Burgess advised the botanist flagged the wetlands JK doing perc & septic design. Just would like to clean up front, mow lawn, tow pines where septic is going, wants to cut down and get out of way. Know he has to do a filing of NOI. Can he do vista pruning. Commission wants to see a plot plan, before he does anything. Will need to file. Members work with residents, just want it done the correct way. Advised to do a wish list so he can avoid multiple filings.

Discussion - 241 Franklin St. - Halifax Solar

Present: Kevin White (site superintendent for CS Energy)

Couple of visits from planning board, Mr,. Dias appears conflicting stories between the conversations with DiBona's and himself. Back in early May, Bob & son Mike DiBona approach him, asked if they were doing a fence around the solar field, he stated yes. They asked to get a fence along the property line instead of trees. Informed it would be the developer to decide. Original agreements... etc. Mr. Fitzgerald advised the ConCom has an agreed set of plans for trees, certain location, so many feet apart. Appears from their understanding the road is constructed too close to the lot/property line. Mr. White then stated it was material, built site from GIS and equipment. Spread of material, can bring back to t16' wide road and still have the appropriate space to put in 38 white pine spruce 9' on center. Just tried to accomiodate the DiBona's wished. Second conversation he had with bob DiBona, told in lieu of trees, 208 linear feet 6'(height) white vinyl fence. Mr. Dibona then asked if he can get more. Mr. White advise Mr. DiBona can only do same distance as the trees. But have to present to town. Have 2 options a) still go as is, bring road back, maintain 16' wide access wide & plant the 38 white spruce.

b) provide DiBona's with 208 linear feet 6' high vinyl fence.

Only question, would have to amend the Order of Conditions (for b) option.

Commission stated not up to them, they have to decide and come back if necessary. Members and Mr. White continue to discuss situation and Order of Conditions... Secretary advised the Planning Board asked for As-Built for road, which is not Con Com jurisdiction, but requested copy for Conservation file. In the end, CS Energy will be staying with the plan of the 38 white spruce trees.

Motion to pay bills

Ply/Hal Express for Ad #11802, 48 Plymouth St \$42.00

Motion: Gerry Fitzgerald

Second: Chris Hadorn All in favor

Discussion: Laurel St, bogs and beaver dams

Received phone complaint of beaver dams being destroyed. Kathy went out to site Laurel St, but could not find the actual location and did not want to enter private property. The person complained stated he doesn't live in town but told (secretary) I saw him coming out of there, so he must be doing it again. As the person complaining stated (to secretary) that the "guy" told him directly he did it before. Just a letter to request come to meeting to clear up and confusion. Chris researched beaver dams, restricted flow of water, could touch it so spent a lot of money to put in pipe underneath the dam.

Secretarial: Meeting Minutes: Bills

Motion to approve meeting minutes for 7/28/2020

Motion: Ed Lane

Seconded: Chris Hadorn All in Favor

Discussion: Drew Greene - 13 Thompson St.

Would like to install inground pool back of house. Entirely within 100' of bordering vegetated wetlands, Process of filing NOI, delineation, wanted to know if what he has(plan) is substantial enough to file & approve. Currently lawn area, markers of wetlands still in place, all around back yard. Fence is inside the buffer. (outside 50') Pool location will be inside the fenced in area.

All will be outside the 50' (within 100") Just wanting to see if current plan is good to use. DEP may require an updated plan with distances from the wetlands. Suggested to contact the local office (Lakeville). Discussion continued as to how to proceed.

Secretary advised of correspondence - mail notices (listed below)

Fair Dermody – RDA for MBTA Right-of-Way 5 year renewal Form A – Hudson St.

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Gerry Fitzgerald

Second: Chris Hadorn All in favor

Documents/Mail

Agenda, general notes of meeting; mail; email and documents to include:

MACC; Stormwater Mag.; abutting town notices; Memo - C. Seelig; Google Earth - Laurel & Pine.

Minutes re: 241 Franklin St. solar. Email re: 13 Thompson St.

Received pictures for 515 Monponsett St. informal discussion

Respectfully submitted,

Date Approved:

Signatures: