

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Acushnet
Conservation Commission
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Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk

MINUTES OF August 28, 2018 CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

Present: Robert Rocha
Evelyn Bouley
Heidi Pelletier
Everett Philla
Paul Valente

Absent: Marc Brodeur
Ted Cioper

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk
Merilee Kelly, Agent

I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M.

II. Minutes for approval:

August 14, 2018

A motion was made by E. Philla to approve the minutes of August 14. The motion was seconded by E. Bouley. Motion passed 5-0.

III. Meeting Mail: (none)

IV. Appointments: (none)

V. Old Business:

NOI – DaCosta / 216 Leonard Street (SE001-XXXX) – A Notice of Intent was filed by Timmy DaCosta for property located at 216 Leonard Street, Map 20, Lot 9A. The applicant proposes to install a retaining wall on the river side of the property within the 100 ft. buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. Plan name is "Subsurface sewage disposal for Fernando & Maria DaCosta". Plan date is August 3, 2016.

Agent Kelly received notification from DEP that Mr. DaCosta will have to file with Natural Heritage. E. Philla made a motion to continue to next meeting. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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VI. New Business:

NOI – Oliveira / 1393 Main Street (SE001-XXXX) – A Notice of Intent was filed by Ronald Oliveira for property located at 1393 Main Street, Map 4, Lot 39H. The applicant proposes to construct a 24' X 38' garage and new driveway in the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by S & K Engineering LLC. Plan name is "Septic system design plan for Ronald Oliveira". Plan date is 7/31/2018.

Chairman Rocha stated that the Commission has not yet received a DEP # therefore, no vote will be taken tonight. Chairman Rocha also stated prior permitting approval thru an RDA was issued with a negative determination. Christopher Capone from S & K Engineering was present to speak about the project. Mr. Capone said there is a stone wall that will act as a demarcation to the wetland and they will be using roof infiltrators. Agent Kelly asked what are they keeping in the garage? E. Bouley asked how many cars can this garage hold? Mr. Capone said he did not know what they would be using the garage for and it would hold 3 cars, not sure if it's one floor. The homeowners wanted it placed further away from the house and they will be utilizing a gravel driveway. Agent Kelly asked if there was a pump for the septic system with a generator. Mr. Capone did not have the septic file on hand. E. Philla would like the stone wall to remain in place. Mr. Capone accepts that condition. H. Pelletier made a motion to add that the stone wall remains in place. P. Valente seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. This condition will be added to the Order of Conditions when a DEP number is received and approved by the Commission.

NOI – D.P.M. Development / Off North Side of Blaise Drive (SE001 –XXXX) – A Notice of Intent was filed by D.P.M. Development Corp. for property located at the North Side of Blaise Drive, Map 12, Lots 18A.1, 11C and 11D. The applicant proposes to construct a 17 lot subdivision off the North side of Blaise Drive within the buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by SITEC, Inc. Plan name is "Subdivision plan of Moniz Estates". Plan date is July 26, 2018.

Chairman Rocha stated that the Commission has not yet received a DEP # therefore, no vote will be taken tonight. Jeff Tallman of SITEC, Inc. was present to speak about the project. Mr. Tallman told the Commission the area is approximately 100 acres off Hathaway Road with an access road thru Blaise Drive. Site was originally going to have cranberry bogs, some of which are partially constructed bogs permitted back around 2007. This is eastern box turtle habitat and they have been working on this project for 2 years and have contacted Natural Heritage. The wetlands line that was previously used has been pushed out...from approximately flag # b5 to b16. Mr. Tallman has included a roadway and drainage system profile for this application. Agent Kelly has a question about the route of the drainage. Mr. Tallman said it will get pitched to a low point, it made more sense to discharge it into the swale. Agent Kelly – How is the water going to be treated? Mr. Tallman said they will be using a storm septic unit. Mr. Tallman stated they are processing a simple filing with Natural Heritage then they will process a formal filing. Chairman Rocha asked about drainage near the bog location. Mr. Tallman said that area will be loam and seeded and they will plant vegetation. Agent Kelly said regarding the stormwater bylaw – everything looks great, each home having it's own infiltrators and excellent soils out there. Chairman Rocha asked if each lot will have private septic. Mr. Tallman – yes private septic and town water. Agent Kelly are the wetland flags still up? Mr. Tallman - last time I knew they were still up. J. Tallman said he would send Chris Capone back out to reflag the wetland line. Chairman Rocha would like to have Commission members back out there to walk the property. E. Philla made a motion to continue to next meeting. P. Valente seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

COC – Benjamin Clarke / 858 Main Street (SE001- 0178) - A Certificate of Compliance was filed by James Winslow, Esq. for Benjamin Clark for property located at 858 Main Street, Map 8. Lots 18A & 18H. The applicant proposed to repair an existing sewage disposal system within the 100 foot buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland.

Agent Kelly said the wetlands were over 300 feet away and the area looks great. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue the Certificate of Compliance. E. Bouley seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Agent Updates:

Agent Kelly said she is working on a new MS4 permit, it is due by September 29th.

Ms. Sol sent in a letter today with a lot of calculations regarding runoff, she doesn't feel that the Commission needs to visit the property. Since the letter was received today Chairman Rocha did not have a chance to review it. P. Valente - Should the Commission go out there when it's raining hard and get a better look at what's happening with the runoff? Agent Kelly said that would be great.

Agent Kelly said that speaker Robert Moir from Ocean River Institute will be here on September 11th to do a presentation on cleaner water and lawn care by laws. Agent Kelly will invite Board of Selectmen, Planning Board and Board of Health.

VII. Future Business:

- The next meeting of the Conservation Commission will be on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 P.M.

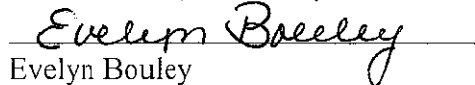
A motion to adjourn was made by P. Valente. The motion was seconded by H. Pelletier. Motion passed 5-0.

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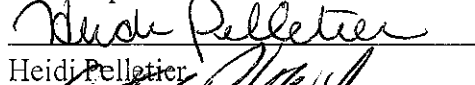
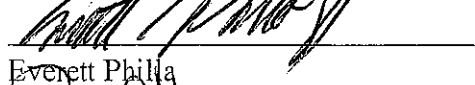
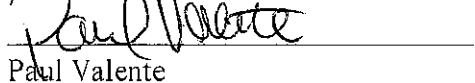
Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk
Acushnet Conservation Commission

Minutes Approved:


Robert Rocha, Chairman
Evelyn Bouley

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