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## MINUTES OF May 28, 2019 CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

**Present:** Robert Rocha, Chairman  
Everett Philla  
Paul Valente  
Heidi Pelletier

**Absent:** Evelyn Bouley  
Ted Cioper  
Joann DeMello

Merilee Kelly, Agent

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

**II. Minutes for approval:**

A motion was made by E. Philla to approve the minutes of April 9, 2019. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**III. Meeting Mail:**

- Received from Eversource - Proposed electrical utility transmission line maintenance from Mendall Road southeast to the Mattapoisett town line.
- Received from UMass Amherst - Fiscal impacts of land use study. Chairman Rocha read aloud the meeting mail.

**IV. Appointments: none.**

**V. Old Business: none.**

## **VI. New Business:**

**RDA – Acushnet Company / 4 Slocum Street** – A Request for Determination of Applicability was filed by Acushnet Company for property located at 4 Slocum Street, Map 25, lot 24. The applicant proposes soil and groundwater site investigation work and sampling. The applicant is represented by Kyle Apigian of Woodard & Curran. Kyle Apigian was present to discuss this project. The EPA is requiring additional testing of the former Ball Plant 1 site. Soil borings will occur; soil samples will be taken and sent to a laboratory; groundwater wells will be installed to obtain samples for understanding hydrology on the site. Drilling equipment will be onsite along with a brush cutter. E. Philla made a motion to issue a negative determination. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**RDA – Antonio & Belinda Afonso / Main Street, Map 8 Lot 13D** – A Request for Determination of Applicability was filed by Antonio & Belinda Afonso for property located at Main Street, Map 8 Lot 13D. The applicant proposes grading of a cleared area and construction of a new single family dwelling within the 100' buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland and isolated wetland. The applicant is represented by Christopher Capone. Mr. Capone was present to discuss this project. Maps indicating the wetland areas were reviewed. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue a negative determination. P. Valente seconded the motion. Motion passed. 4-0.

**NOI – Benjamin Reis / Labonte Street, Map 15 Lot 456** A Notice of Intent was filed by Benjamin Reis for property located at Labonte Street, Map 15 Lot 456. The applicant proposes to construct Labonte Street from Pembroke Avenue 495 feet southerly including the installation of sewer and water services within the 100' buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by Alan Ewing Engineering, Inc. Plan name is "Proposed Road Profile and Utilities at Labonte Street" dated April 5, 2019. Alan Ewing was present to discuss this project. Sewer and water services will be installed. A silt fence will be used. The Planning Board requested an 18' wide paved road with a berm. A replication area will be built. A positive order of conditions with the following special conditions was motioned by H. Pelletier. #1. Replication ratio 1 to 1 of 2,852 sq. ft. of wetland will be established per enclosed replication plan. #2. One catch basin will be installed at road's lowest point per detail to be submitted by Alan Ewing Engineering. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**NOI – Doug Fredette / James Street Lot A, Map 15 Lot 458** A Notice of Intent was filed by Doug Fredette for property located at James Street, Map 15, Lot 458. The applicant proposes to construct a single family house with associated utilities, driveway, grading and landscaping within the 100' buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by Nyles Zager of Zenith Consulting Engineers, LLC. Plan name is "Site Plan Lot A - James Street" dated May 13, 2019. Nyles Zager was present to discuss this project. Access will be from Pembroke Avenue. A sewer stub is existing and DPW Superintendent has been contacted regarding water and sewer services. Soil samples have been taken – high water table. Silt sock and dewatering basins will be used during construction. Split rail fence and roof drains were discussed. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue a positive order of conditions with the following conditions. 1. Split rail fencing to be installed 5 feet inland from wetland line. 2. Roof drains to be installed for house on east side of property (James Street side). P. Valente seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**NOI – Doug Fredette / James Street Lot B, Map 15 Lot 458** A Notice of Intent was filed by Doug Fredette for property located at James Street, Map 15, 458. The applicant proposes to construct a single family house with associated utilities, driveway, grading and landscaping within the 100' buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by Nyles Zager of Zenith Consulting Engineers, LLC. Plan name is "Site Plan Lot B - James Street" dated May 13, 2019. Nyles Zager was present to discuss this project. Lot A and Lot B discussion was combined. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue a positive order of conditions with the following conditions. 1. Split rail fencing to be installed along wetland line parallel to wetland flags # 37 – 41, except # 38. 2. Roof drains to be installed on east side (James Street side) for house. P. Valente seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**RDA – Peter Boutin / 69 Chershire Avenue** A Request for Determination was filed by Peter Boutin for property located at 69 Chershire Avenue, Map 24, Lot 21. The applicant proposes to install a 16' X 30' inground pool within the 100' buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. Peter Boutin was present to discuss the project. A septic as-built was submitted for review. Area is all lawn. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue a negative determination. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

## **VII. Agent Updates:**

Agent Kelly said most of her office agenda is dedicated to the Stormwater management plan – MS4 permit. She will also be getting some help from Woodard and Curran to complete the project due by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Southcoast rail will be starting construction from the Taunton to New Bedford area.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.**

A motion to adjourn was made by E. Philla. The motion was seconded by P. Valente.  
Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk  
Acushnet Conservation Commission

Minutes Approved:

Robert Rocha  
Robert Rocha, Chairman  
absent

Evelyn Bouley  
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