



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Acushnet
Conservation Commission

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Paul Valente
Richard Pimentel
Ryan Rezendes

Patrick Hannon, Conservation Agent
Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk

**MINUTES OF AUGUST 25, 2021
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING**

Present: Robert Rocha, Chairman
Everett Philla
Ryan Rezendes
Richard Pimentel
Heidi Pelletier

Absent: Paul Valente
Evelyn Bouley

Patrick Hannon, Agent
Joann DeMello

Mary Jo Francis, Resident
Paul Boucher, Owner Morton Lane parcel
Nancy Durfee, Morton Lane parcel

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I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. in person and via zoom.

II. Minutes for approval:

A motion was made by E. Philla to approve the minutes of July 14, 2021. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by E. Philla to approve the minutes of August 11, 2021. R. Rezendes seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

III. Meeting Mail: Chairman Rocha read aloud the letters sent to 21 Evergreen Drive and 23 Evergreen Drive. Agent Hannon said M. Koska contacted him and work is underway. No communication from owners at 23 Evergreen Drive.

IV. Appointments: None.

V. **Old Business:** None.

VI. **New Business:**

(Public Hearing) RDA – Lestina Rucks / 69 Nestle's Lane A Request for Determination was filed by Lestina Rucks for property located at 69 Nestle's Lane, Map 1, Lot 14C-2. The applicant proposes to install a 4' chain link fence and a raised bed garden within the 100' buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. Plan name is "As-Built – Order of Conditions SE001-0367 / 69 Nestle's Lane, Acushnet, MA" dated November 17, 2005. Commission members conducted a site visit on Saturday. Agent Hannon has also met with Ms. Rucks, there is no impact to the buffer zone. Chairman Rocha asked if the zoom audience had any questions? No guests on Zoom. H. Pelletier made a motion to issue a negative determination. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. E. Philla made a motion to close the public hearing. R. Pimentel seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

(Public Hearing) NOI – Paul Boucher / Morton Lane and Right of Way SE 001-XXXX A Notice of Intent was filed by Paul Boucher for property located at Morton Lane and Right of Way, Map 14, Lots 15H & 17. The applicant proposes the improvement/construction of a paved roadway within an existing right of way, installation of associated drainage system, installation of proposed water main and construction of a residential dwelling with associated utilities, grading and driveway within the 100' buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by Jamie Bissonnette of Zenith Consulting Engineers, LLC. Plan name is "Map 14 Lots 15H & 17 Morton Lane Existing Conditions Plan" dated May 25, 2021 revised August 9, 2021. Jamie Bissonnette was present to discuss this project. Green cards were received via email. No DEP file number has been issued. Commission members conducted a site visit on Saturday. Mr. Bissonnette gave an overview of the proposed work on Morton Lane. The septic system will be located outside the buffer zone, while the roadway improvements are in the buffer zone. Mr. Bissonnette has not yet received any correspondence from Natural Heritage. Agent Hannon asked Mr. Bissonnette to explain how the wet basin works. Mr. Bissonnette explained the function and maintenance of the wet basin. Mary-Jo Francis abutter was present and asked about the flow of water. Mr. Bissonnette stated no water will be directed towards her property. Paul Boucher and Nancy Durfee stated that this land will only be for a single family ranch – no further development. R. Rezendes asked who is responsible for maintaining the basin? Mr. Bissonnette stated the homeowner. Cleaning and Operations of maintaining the basin can be found in the NOI filing. R. Pimentel asked the square footage of the basin? Mr. Bissonnette said it is approximately 120 feet, 60 feet at its widest point. P. Hannon mentioned the financial assurance under the stormwater regulations. Mary-Jo Francis had concerns regarding mosquitoes. Mr. Bissonnette stated the area is a large wetland; no increase in mosquito population. No further questions from the Commission, live audience or zoom audience. R. Pimentel made a motion to continue the hearing until September 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for more information. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

VII. Discussion:

- Ryan inquired about the process of the pipe removal at 23 Evergreen Drive, can it be capped or does it need to be removed? Agent Hannon said it can be disconnected.

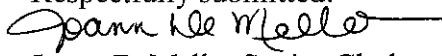
VIII. Agent Updates:

- Agent Hannon received a new computer, Joann's will be in next week.

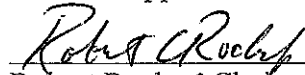
Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.


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

Respectfully submitted:

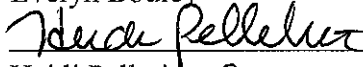

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk
Acushnet Conservation Commission

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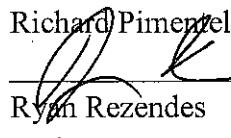

Robert Rocha, Chairman


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