



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 30, 2022
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING**

Present:	Robert Rocha, Chairman Everett Philla Ryan Rezendes Heidi Pelletier Richard Pimentel Evelyn Bouley Patrick Hannon Joann DeMello Rene Gagnon, Zenith Consulting Engineers Norman Fredette, resident	Absent: ---
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Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Minutes for approval: October 26, 2022 Tabled to next meeting.

Meeting Mail:

Appointments:

Old Business:

Continued (Public Hearing) NOI – Frank P. Joseph, Jr. / 352 Main Street SE 001-0577 A Notice of Intent was filed by Frank P. Joseph, Jr for property located at 352 Main Street, Map 11, lot 28. The applicant proposes a septic system upgrade within the 100' buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by David J. Fredette of Fredette Engineering Services. Plan name is "Site Plan for Septic System Upgrade" dated August 31, 2022. Septic design is not complete. Joann to call Mr. Fredette to get an update. R. Rezendes made a motion to continue. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Continued (Public Hearing) Whelden Lane – Historic Trail. A public hearing will be held to determine the rights of public access and use of the Whelden Lane Historic Trail. Pauline Teixeira stopped by the office with some documents. R. Rezendes made a motion to continue. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

New Business:

R. Pimentel made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by E. Philla. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Hearing – NOI – Helder Goncalves – 11 Harrison Street SE 001-0578 A Notice of Intent was filed by Helder Goncalves for property located at 11 Harrison Street, Map 24, Lot 397 & 398. The applicant proposes install a new 1500 gallon septic tank with an Orenco AX-20 treatment unit and a 8 ft. X 24 ft. bottomless sand filter. The work falls completely within the 200 ft. outer riparian zone to a perennial stream and within the 100 ft. buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The applicant is represented by Rene Gagnon of Zenith Consulting Engineers, LLC. Plan name is “Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Upgrade dated October 25, 2022, revised November 11, 2022. Commission conducted a site visit on Saturday. Mr. Gagnon was present to discuss this project and provided the proof of mailing and green cards. Mr. Gagnon stated a new tank will be installed and a bottomless sand filter will be used. The Engineers found an error in the GIS plan – no property line error. Mr. Gagnon said the deck will also be removed. R. Pimentel made a motion to issue a positive order of conditions with the standard conditions. E. Bouley seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. H. Pelletier made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by E. Philla. Motion passed 6-0.

Stormwater:

R. Rezendes made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by R. Pimentel. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Hearing – Stormwater – Jose S. Castelo / Park Drive & Deep Brook Drive, Map 17, Lots 66-84, Map 18, Lots 12R, 12S, 18, 18G. A Stormwater Permit Application has been filed by Jose S. Castelo for property located at Park Drive & Deep Brook Drive, Map 17, Lots 66-84, Map 18, Lots 12R, 12S, 18, 18G, Acushnet, MA. The applicant proposes to construct approximately 2,350 feet of roadway with associated drainage and utility systems to serve a 15-lot residential subdivision. The applicant is represented by Jamie Bissonnette of Zenith Consulting Engineers, LLC. Plan name is “Deep Brook Estates” dated October 24, 2017. Mr. Rene Gagnon was present from Zenith Consulting Engineers and said the abutter notification has not been mailed out, he is requesting a continuance to the next meeting. R. Rezendes made a motion to continue the hearing to the next meeting for abutter notification. E. Philla seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Continued (Public Hearing) Stormwater – Amendment to a previously approved Stormwater Plan / Paul Boucher and Nancy Durfee / 7 Morton Lane SE 001-0566 A Request to Amend a previously approved Stormwater Plan was filed by Paul Boucher and Nancy Durfee for property located at 7 Morton Lane, Map 14, Lots 15H & 17. The applicant requests review of the Stormwater management calculations submitted by

Heureux Engineering, LLC. Plan sketch submitted on July 22, 2022 by Heureux Engineering, LLC. N. Durfee was present for any questions and said the contractor was on-site shooting grades and the fill in around the house is complete. R. Rezendes made a motion to continue to next meeting. H. Pelletier seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Discussion:

- Rene Street – Possible wetlands violation and excursion onto Town owned Open Space. The Commission conducted a site visit on Saturday, November 19th. The Commission did not find any encroachment nor any filling of wetlands. R. Rezendes made a motion to not ratify the enforcement order. E. Bouley seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. An upland bog is on the property and the Commission voted to deem it non-jurisdictional due to a tailwater recovery system. E. Bouley made that motion. R. Pimentel seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Fredette would like Agent Hannon to research the property at 8 Rene Street for work that has happened last summer or fall, any RDA filing for this address?
- Moniz Estates – update – Mr. Moniz is requesting a roof drain inspection, Agent Hannon will do it after the NPDES permit is received. Steve Gioiosa of Civil & Environmental Consultants called the office and spoke to Agent Hannon and said this will be done.
- Stormwater By-law and Regulation discussion – Chairman Rocha discussed his recommendations for the regulation...Certificate of Completion, Massachusetts Stormwater Management Standards, Offsite Compliance, Stormwater Authority, Time Periods and Wetland resource areas & Wetlands. Add abutter notification and erosion Control to the By-law. The Commission reviewed and discussed the existing regulation and went section by section for additions and changes. Keep on next agenda.
- Senior Clerk update – The Commission has a list of job duties and responsibilities from Joann before and after the Stormwater was turned over to the Conservation Office from the Planning Board. Chairman Rocha will add a paragraph explaining the change in duties and responsibilities and forward it to the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator. The Wetlands Protection Act Fund is to be utilized, thus no cost to the taxpayers.

Agent Updates:

- 0 Ward Street – Wetlands violation. Several neighbors called the office to complain about trucks dumping soil into the wetlands. Agent Hannon said there is a wetlands violation and will issue a cease and desist.
- CVE 88 Wing Lane – Agent Hannon said the wet weather test passed. CVE to provide an as-built plan and request a Certificate of Compliance.
- Acushnet Co. 115 Manchester Lane will be requesting a Certificate of Compliance.

Public Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

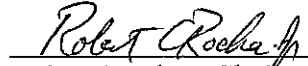
A motion to adjourn the public meeting was made by R. Rezendes. The motion was seconded by E. Philla. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted:



Acushnet Conservation Commission

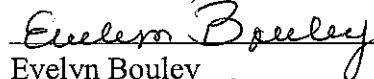
Minutes Approved:

 CHAIR

Robert Rocha, Chairman



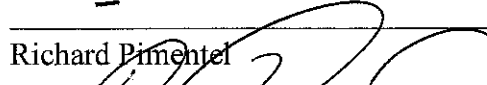
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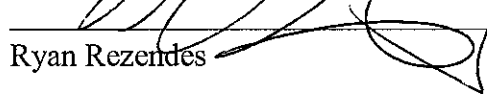
Evelyn Bouley



Heidi Pelletier



Richard Pimentel



Ryan Rezendes

Date signed: January 11, 2023