

TOWN OF WENHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2016
Wenham Town Hall, 138 Main Street

Pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. Chapter 30 A, §18-25, written notice posted by the Town Clerk delivered to all Commissioners, a meeting of the Conservation Commission was held on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 7 PM in the Selectmen Chambers.

With a quorum present, Mr. Colarusso called the meeting to order at 7 PM.
Board Members Present: Philip Colarusso, Chair; Leo Maestranzi; Michael Novak; Robert Burnett; Malcolm Reid;
Also present: Margaret Hoffman, Planning Coordinator; Catherine Tinsley, Recording Secretary

Continued Hearings:

Notice of Intent -DEP 326-0359

Applicant: Anthony Tambone, Wenham Pines, LLC

Consultant: Kyle Lally, Hancock Associates

Location: 56-60 Main Street

Project: Site development within jurisdictional proximity to wetland resource area with construction of 23 town house units on what is currently the 32.4 acre Lakeview Golf Course

The Town's peer review has been completed. The Commission found it to be thorough. The applicant requested the hearing be continued to review the peer review.

Vote: Mr. Maestranzi moved, and it was seconded, to continue the hearing for Wenham Pines at the request of the applicant, to a date certain of September 26, 2016 at 7:30 pm in Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.

Notice of Intent

DEP 326-0357

Applicant: Larch Row Land LLC

Consultant: Griffin Engineering Group LLC

Location: 213R Larch Row

Project: Construction of two single family dwellings and common driveway within the 100 feet adjacent upland resource area to a bordering vegetated wetland.

Vote: Mr. Maestranzi moved, and it was seconded, to continue the hearing for 213 Larch Row at the request of the applicant, to a date certain of September 26, 2016 at 7:30 pm in Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.

New Hearings

Request for Determination of Applicability

Location 38 Cedar Street - Map 18, Lot 3B

Applicant Sean Scanlon on behalf of Craig & Maureen Benvie

Project: Request for Determination as to whether the construction of a proposed shed at 38 Cedar Street is within an area subject to the jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.

Ms. Hoffman read the legal ad as published in the Hamilton Wenham Chronicle on September 1, 2016

Mr. Scanlon reported the existing structure was within the utility easement on the property at 38 Cedar Street. He noted the shed was not worth rebuilding and suggested a new shed, slab on grade, would be better suited in the upland area on the property which is 54 feet from the no disturb zone and within the jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.

The wetlands were last flagged in 1999 and determined to be current.

The Commission scheduled a site visit for Friday. The contractor agreed to be present.

Approved 9.26.16

Vote: Mr. Maestranzi moved, and it was seconded, to continue the bearing for 38 Cedar Street to a date certain of September 26, 2016 at 7:30 pm in Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.

Other Matters

Chris Gajeski was present and spoke about his interest in serving on the Conservation Commission and his reviewed vast experiences serving as an Environmental Consultant, Assistant Conservation Agent, and his knowledge of public hearings as some of the expertise he would bring to the Commission.

Mr. Gajeski fielded questions from the Commissioners.

Vote: Mr. Maestranzi moved, and it was seconded, the Commissioners recommend to the Board of Selectmen that Chris Gajeski be appointed. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Business

Minutes – August 8, 2016

The minutes were held for review.

The Commission unanimously adjourned at 7:53 pm

Respectfully Submitted By
Catherine Tinsley
9.23.16