



EAST LONGMEADOW CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Wednesday, July 8, 2020
6:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Zoom Webinar

Minutes

Chair Craig Jernstrom opened the meeting at 6:01 PM and called the roll.

CALL THE ROLL

Present: Craig Jernstrom, Chair
Tom O'Brien, Vice Chair – joined at 6:05 PM
Jeffrey Bosworth, Clerk
Frances Corgnati
Anthony Zampiceni

Absent: Erin Lynch

Staff Present: Bethany Yeo, Planning & Community Development Director; Ryan Quimby, IT Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 10, 2020

Motion to approve made by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni; second by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth and approved by roll call vote of four (4)-zero (0).

June 24, 2020

Motion to continue to July 22, 2020 made by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni; second by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth and approved by roll call vote of four (4)-zero (0).

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE REQUESTS

No submittals at this time

OLD BUSINESS

1. **WPA Enforcement Order #1: Hidden Ponds Estates Lots 19-20 (Mass DEP 150-0447)** for violation by Al Joyce, Rose-Bud Builders, P.O. Box 79, East Longmeadow, MA 01028 for removal of twelve (12) trees larger than 1-1/2" diameter outside the Limit of Work line and inadequate erosion controls.
2. Request by applicant to discuss erosion control measures for Lot 3 Hidden Ponds Drive (Mass DEP File # 150-0428), Lot 4 Hidden Ponds Drive (Mass DEP File # 150-0446), and Lots 19-20 Redstone Drive (Mass DEP File # 150-0447). Applicant: Al Joyce, Rose-Bud Builders, P. O. Box 79, East Longmeadow, MA 01028.

Chair Craig Jernstrom noted the Commission had approved a letter to Al Joyce requesting the complete Sediment and Erosion report be submitted to the Commission for review. Chair Craig Jernstrom stated agenda items 1 and 2 could be removed from future agendas. No further discussion.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. **Case RDA 2020-2: Request for Determination of Applicability for 144 Mapleshade Avenue** (Assessor's Parcel ID 36-5-0) for emergency replacement of existing footing drains, re-grading and installation of a patio area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act on a 1.0 +/- acre site. Applicant: Michael Bednaz, 144 Mapleshade Avenue, East Longmeadow, MA 01028.
(Cont. June 24, 2020)

Chair Craig Jernstrom stated based on the plan and photos submitted by the petitioner prior to the meeting he had no further issues of concern. The Commission concurred. No further discussion.

Motion for a Negative 2 Determination made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).

NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. **Case RDA 2020-4: Request for Determination of Applicability for 122 Elm Street & nearby R.O.W. of Elm Street** (Assessor's Parcel ID 25-117) for the replacement of a natural gas service from an existing gas main service within the River Front Area of the Pecousic Brook.
Applicant: Columbia Gas of Massachusetts (A NiSource Company), 2025 Roosevelt Avenue; P.O. Box 2025, Springfield, MA 01104.

Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth read the legal notice into the record. Applicant representative Jessie Moreno was present for discussion. Mr. Moreno summarized the proposed work will remove an existing gas main and reinstalled located at 122 Elm Street. The work will be done using a directional bore technology that can drill down under the brook 4-5 FT thus effectively avoiding the bank of the river and the resource area. Chair Jernstrom inquired where future locations for such work might be located. Mr. Moreno stated he did not have information of future sites.

Motion for a Negative 3 Determination with the condition that erosion controls be installed per the permit made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni and approved by roll call vote five (5)-zero (0).

5. **Case NOI 2020-5: Notice of Intent for Pease Road** (Assessor's Parcel ID 32-34A-B) for the construction of a single family home and stormwater management basin within the Buffer Zone on a 2.36 +/- acre site. Applicant: Emanuele Marino, 66 Lathrop Street, West Springfield, MA 01089.

Chair Craig Jernstrom stated due to failure of proper notification to abutters, the public hearing would be scheduled to the following meeting.

Motion to move agenda item to July 22, 2020 meeting made by Commissioner Frances Corgnati; second by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth and approved by roll call vote five (5)-zero (0).

PROJECT MONITORING

6. Projects [See Project Monitoring spread sheet]

Chair Craig Jernstrom shared that he had no new site visit findings to report at this time. The Commission concurred.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. Policies and Procedures of the Conservation Commission

Commissioner Frances Corgnati asked for an update on the new Conservation Commission Intern, Nina Fazio. The Planning Director Bethany Yeo stated Nina had compiled more FAQs information to post on the webpage and had also compiled and created a spreadsheet to track site visit findings made by the Commission.

ADJOURN Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni; second by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth and approved by roll call vote five (5)-zero (0) at 6:21 PM.

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Respectfully submitted.

Bethany Yeo,
Planning & Community Development Director