



EAST LONGMEADOW CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Wednesday, July 22, 2020
6:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Zoom Webinar

MINUTES

Chair Craig Jernstrom opened the meeting at 6:02 PM and called the roll.

CALL THE ROLL

Present: Craig Jernstrom, Chair
Tom O'Brien, Vice Chair arrived at 6:15 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 24, 2020

Motion to approve the June 24, 2020 meeting minutes made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Frances Corgnati and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).

July 8, 2020

Motion to approve the July 8, 2020 meeting minutes made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioners Frances Corgnati and approved by roll call vote four (4)-zero (0).

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE REQUESTS

1. **CC 2020-5: Request for Partial Certificate of Compliance for 78 Nottingham Drive (MassDEP File # 150-271)** –Request for partial Certificate of Compliance for 78 Nottingham Drive (Assessor's Parcel ID 750-65-29). Applicant representative: Amber Hany, Real Estate Paralegal, Bacon Wilson, P.C. 33 State Street, Springfield, MA 01103.

Chair Craig Jernstrom stated the site was non-jurisdictional. No further discussion.

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

NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. **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.

Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth read the legal notice into the record. Representing the applicant was Tim Coon, Principal Engineer [J.R. Russo & Associates, LLC, 1 Shoham Road, East Windsor, CT 06088]. Mr. Coon presented a summary of the proposed work and noted the DPW has stated the maintenance of the proposed catch basin will be the responsibility of the home owner or home owners association. Chair Craig Jernstrom asked for clarification on the proposed sump station. Mr. Coon

explained the cul-de-sac will be graded so all the water run-off is collected in a two-sump catch basin and then diverted out to the stormwater management basin.

The Chair opened the meeting for comments from the public.

Brad and Carleen Hoffman, at 50 Devonshire Terrace inquired how extensive the vegetation removal would be closest to the resource area. Chair Jernstrom explained there is no proposed vegetation cutting in the wetlands; the cutting of trees applies only to the Buffer zone where the basin will be located. Mr. Coon confirmed.

Hearing no further comments, **motion to close the public comment made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Francis Corgnati and approved by roll call vote five (5)-zero (0).**

Discussion ensued. Chair Jernstrom suggested an underground infiltration system or rain garden rather than the proposed catch basin. The Chair also inquired as to the qualifications of the wetlands consultant and stated based on his site visit conducted on July 7, 2020 he had not observed the test pits. Finally, the Chair expressed concerns with the wetlands delineation form as the indicators of hydrology was left blank. Mr. Coon offered to email the Commissioners the wetlands consultants resume and stated the test pits had been completed Thursday July 16, 2020. Mr. Coon stated based on the soil at the site an underground infiltration system would not be feasible furthermore, they had determined they needed the storage volume in the catch basin in order to mitigate the peak discharges from increasing off site. Commissioners Craig Jernstrom, Tom O'Brien, Frances Corgnati and Anthony Zampiceni stated they were not comfortable with the Limit of Work Line being less than 25 FT from the wetlands and requested the applicant revise plans to show a minimum Limit of Work line of 25 FT. Mr. Coon requested a continuance to the August 12, 2020 Conservation Commission meeting to prepare a revised plan set.

Motion to continue to August 12, 2020 made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni and approved by roll call vote five (5)-zero (0).

PROJECT MONITORING

3. Projects [See Project Monitoring spread sheet]

Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth requested a letter be sent to Pondview Drive, Lot 5 reminding them to submit a Notice of Intent for proposed work. Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth also reported that the 116 Elm Street plantings had grown well and he saw no signs of erosion. Commissioner Frances Corgnati noted there were a number of site visit dates missing from the Google Forms sheet. Planning Director, Bethany Yeo encouraged Commissioners to enter their site visit dates and explained the form was relatively new therefore older site visit dates had not been entered. Commissioner Frances Corgnati offered to enter the site visit dates if the other members emailed her the dates they conduct site visits.

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Policies and Procedures of the Conservation Commission

Chair Craig Jernstrom suggested the Commission take up a practice from the past of identifying and notifying property owners who had an outstanding Certificate of Compliance on their property. Planning Director, Bethany Yeo suggested the summer Conservation Intern, Nina Fazio may be able to look into the project. Chair Craig Jernstrom informed the Commission of an open Order of Conditions on 99 Mapleshade Avenue which is currently for sale. The Chair stated he had informed the realtor of this information as well.

ADJOURN Motion to adjourn made by Clerk Jeffrey Bosworth; second by Commissioner Anthony Zampiceni and approved by roll call vote five (5)-zero (0) at 6:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Bethany Yeo,
Planning & Community Development Director