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WILBRAHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes from June 27, 2023

Members Present: Chairman Christopher Brown, Cathy Lawless, William Meeker, James Murphy, Alice Colman and Associate Member James Coletta

Staff: Melissa Graves

7:05 PM Notice of Intent 337 Maynard Road
Project: Garage Addition and On-Site Septic System Repair
Present: Matt Marro, Environmental Consulting

This hearing was continued from May 22 and June 12, 2023 at the Applicants request. Supplemental information was submitted per comments from DEP. As a result of activities conducted on the site, a restoration of Riverfront/BVW will be approximately 1,636 sq. ft. of mitigation plantings/seed mix with native plant species. Elderberry and High Bush Blueberry is proposed to provide a well-rounded shrub planting for habitat value and will be scattered in all portions of the restoration site. The overall restoration area is in a location abutting a very large forested wetland resource area within the riverfront. The site will be inspected by Mr. Marro for 2 growing seasons.

There is existing silt fence that was installed prior to filing the NOI.

Motion: William Meeker, close the public hearing and issue an Order of Conditions within 21 days

2nd: James Murphy

In Favor: Alice Colman, William Meeker, James Murphy, Cathy Lawless

Materials Referenced: WPA Form 3 – Notice of Intent and supplemental documents received on May 3, 2023, Notification of Wetlands Protection Act File Number and Comments from DEP dated May 30, 2023, Notice of Intent Narrative Revision and Restoration Plan dated June, 2023, Revised Site Plan dated June 21, 2023 and WPA Form 5 – Order of Conditions

7:35 PM Appointment Lawrence Cook
285 Three Rivers Rd – Ground Mount Solar/Modification to Plan

Present: Lawrence Cook, AMP Energy

According the revised site plan, the equipment pad that is located closer to the road was moved out of jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission. The direction of the small equipment pad within the jurisdiction at the entrance to site was turned 90 degrees and is smaller. Town of Wilbraham DPW Director Tonya Capparello has been corresponding with Mr. Cook regarding the other changes to the site plan for stormwater compliance.

Motion: Cathy Lawless, motion to determine that the minor modification to the customer interconnection equipment smaller pad near the road as shown on Plan Page C201 – C203 – C205 – C206 – Detail of pad C403, Revision E – Site Plan West with date of 6-21-23 will not require a Notice of Intent on the condition that no further changes are required by the Planning Board that are within the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission

2nd: William Meeker

In Favor: Alice Colman, William Meeker, James Murphy, Cathy Lawless

Materials Referenced: Revised Site Plan dated December, 2022

Discussion: Replication Area Update: Three Rivers Road Solar

Conservation Commission member William Meeker has concerns about a couple of items including elevations, hydric soils and the condition of the plantings. Mr. Cook will take a look at the site next time he is in the area and give feedback to the Commission. The Commission agreed that a site visit prior to the next meeting on July 25th should be scheduled.

Materials Referenced: ASD Three Rivers MA Solar BVW Replication Area Monitoring Report and associated photos dated June 19, 2023

Minutes: June 12, 2023

Motion: James Murphy, approve as written

2nd: Cathy Lawless

In Favor: Alice Colman, William Meeker, James Murphy, Cathy Lawless

Annual Renewal

MACC (Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions)

Motion: James Murphy, renew the membership with the MACC for fiscal year 24 in the amount of \$673.00 to include 7 members, one associate member and 1 staff person

2nd: William Meeker

In Favor: Alice Colman, William Meeker, James Murphy, Cathy Lawless

Tree Removal Request 6 Decorie Drive

After an inspection by the Tree Warden, Dave Graziano, he claimed the tree was not an emergency but should be cut down to prevent property damage in the event that it does fall since it appeared to be unhealthy.

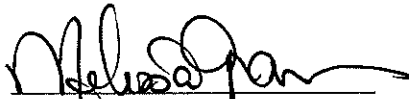
Motion: Cathy Lawless, motion to give Mr. Chappel permission to cut the two tree in left rear corner and one on the right side and let the tree fall into the swamp to naturally decay

2nd: James Murphy

In Favor: Alice Colman, William Meeker, James Murphy, Cathy Lawless

Having no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:25 PM. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, July 10, 2023

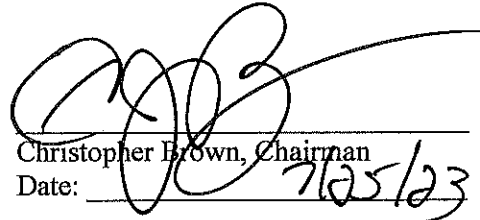
Submitted:



Melissa Grayes, Administrative Assistant

Date: 7/25/23

Approved As To Form And Content:



Christopher Brown, Chairman

Date: 7/25/23

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