

BEDFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
August 27, 2014
Selectmen's Meeting Room
Town Hall, Bedford, MA

PRESENT: John Willson, Chair; Steven Hagan, Vice-Chair; John Britton, Clerk;
Allan Wirth; Joseph Guardino
Elizabeth Bagdonas, Conservation Administrator;
Stephanie Ide, Conservation Department Assistant

ABSENT: Lori Eggert; Andreas Uthoff

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Willson read the Public Record Statement as approved by Town Counsel on 9/10/12.

Request for Determination of Applicability: 8 Glen Ora Drive

A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the public notice. The motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Aaron Bourret was present before the Commission to discuss the proposed removal of two trees, landscaping, installation of irrigation system and lawn within the 100-foot buffer zone to bordering vegetated wetland. Ms. Bagdonas recommended an erosion control condition.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Guardino to issue a negative Determination for reason three and a positive Determination for reason five with the following condition:

1. Wattles shall be placed by the driveway and at the backside of the house at the 25-foot buffer.

The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the Determination was signed.

Request for Determination of Applicability: 10 Dudley Road

A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the public notice. The motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Mark Sleger of ALAN Engineering was present on behalf of Mr. Manny Amigo and Russ Traywick of Premium Homes, also present, to discuss the proposed demolition of an existing house, construction of a new single family house, limited tree clearing, site work, lot grading and landscaping within the 100-foot buffer zone to bordering vegetated wetland. Mr. Sleger stated that a delineation of the wetland was completed this afternoon by Norse Environmental. He explained to the Commission that the wetland comes further onto the property than previously thought and he expects that the Commission will want to review the wetland prior to making a decision. Mr. Sleger said that given the location of newly flagged wetland the impervious surface calculations will be at 13.9% for the lot. Haybales and silt fencing are proposed at the tree line within the 50-foot buffer zone to bordering vegetated wetland. Ms. Bagdonas said that a site visit does need to take place and that she will need the field data report from

Norse Environmental. Mr. Willson asked if the Commission should issue a positive Determination requiring the applicant to file a Notice of Intent. Ms. Bagdonas stated that a Notice of Intent should be filed.

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. Guardino to issue a positive Determination for reasons four and five. The motion passed 4-1-0 with Mr. Hagan abstaining. The Determination was then signed. The applicant will file a Notice of Intent and plans to submit for the meeting of September 24, 2014.

Request for an Amendment to the Order of Conditions: 200 Hanscom Drive

A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the public notice. The motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Tom Ennis of Massachusetts Port Authority was present before the Commission to request an Amendment to the Order of Conditions, DEP File #103-0755. Mr. Ennis stated that the FAA recommends the paving of a 150 foot section of existing gravel perimeter road adjacent to the wildlife fence. The proposed project is within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, Bank, Riverfront Area to the Shawsheen River and the 100-foot buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland. Enough gravel would be removed from the existing road to keep the elevation of the road the same. Mr. Ennis said that an area of deteriorated pavement adjacent to the road will be removed and seeded. There is currently erosion control in place on the site and it will remain in place.

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. Guardino that an Amendment is not necessary because it is an insignificant change. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Order of Conditions: 32 Shawsheen Avenue

Mr. Carl Gehring of Verizon Wireless was present before the Commission as the Commission reviewed the draft Order of Conditions. Mr. Gehring requested that a few conditions be edited.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Wirth to issue the Order of Conditions as modified. The motion passed 4-1-0 with Mr. Willson abstaining. The Order of Conditions was then signed.

195 Carlisle Road:

Mr. Dean Jenkins was present before the Commission to discuss a plan change and the documentation of fill materials at 195 Carlisle Road. Mr. Jenkins stated that he met with the Commission on July 23, 2014. He had proposed that the fill on site will be used under the driveway and turn around area only with any excess material to be removed from the site. Clean fill from a Lexington site will be used on the remainder of the property with the Commission's approval. Mr. Jenkins is requesting that the Commission approve the construction of a smaller home on the property and to square off the proposed patio which would be constructed of pervious pavers.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Britton to approve the plan change as minor citing that it will be less intrusive. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Mr. Willson abstaining. A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Britton

to allow the use of the three existing fill piles on the property to be used as sub straight material only under the driveway and to allow the use of fill from the Lexington site for use on the rest of the property at 195 Carlisle Road. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Mr. Willson abstaining.

224 & 226 Carlisle Road:

Mr. Mark Sleger of ALAN Engineering was present before the Commission on behalf of Mr. Manny Amigo and Russ Traywick of Premium Homes, also present, to discuss the proposed plan changes for 224 and 226 Carlisle Road. The applicant is proposing to build smaller houses on both lots which would result in a reduction of impervious surface on both properties. Ms. Bagdonas suggested that the flood plain should be staked. Mr. Sleger stated that the silt fence on the plan represents the limit of work.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Guardino to accept both revised plans finding that they are within the scope of the previously approved Determinations. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Mr. Willson abstaining.

Amended Order of Conditions: 150-168 Great Road

Ms. Bagdonas told the Commission that she has still not received a full set of plans for the Bedford Marketplace project. A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Guardino to issue the Amendment to the Order of Conditions subject to the receipt of a complete set of plans. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Mr. Willson abstaining. The Amendment was then signed.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. Hagan to approve the minutes of June 11, 2014 as written. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Certificate of Compliance: 130 North Road

A motion was made by Mr. Uthoff and seconded by Mr. Hagan to issue the Certificate of Compliance for 130 North Road with the discussed continuing conditions. The motion passed 5-0-0, after which the Certificate of Compliance was signed.

Use of Conservation Areas:

A motion was made by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. Wirth to adopt the language used on the signs posted at the Conservation Area kiosks for use on the Town of Bedford website. The motion passed 5-0-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagan and seconded by Mr. Guardino to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0-0 adjourning the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

The minutes were prepared by Stephanie Ide.

The minutes were approved at the meeting of October 8, 2014.