

TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes June 02, 2021

Justine Carroll, Steve Gniadek, Rich Chiras and Barbara McNamee were present. Justin Arbuckle and Cindy Campbell were absent. David Pickart, NCC Agent, and Barbara Kinney, Conservation Commission (NCC) Administrative Assistant, were present. There is one (1) open vacancy on the NCC.

Ms. McNamee opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

Attendees: Deb & Brian Castell; Cindy Cummiskey; Travis Brown, Turning Point Engineering; Laura Skudera; Margaret Bacon, Civil Site Engineering; and Chloe Mawn.

Citizen's Forum

None

(248-685) 2653 Providence Road (Map 19, Parcel 68)

Proposed construction of a single family home and associated activities within Riverfront Area. The applicant is Yong Li represented by Civil Site Engineering, LLC, Suite 206, 10 River Road, Uxbridge, MA 01569.

The revised plans with changes have been received by the NCC. A separate Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA) review is needed but it will not impact the Notice of Intent (NOI). The applicant is waiting for a response from Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP). The NCC can close and issue the Order of Conditions (OOC) but they cannot start the project until the MESA review is completed and approved.

Motion made by J. Carroll and seconded by R. Chiras. The NCC voted 4-0 by roll call vote of B. McNamee – Yes; S. Gniadek – Yes; R. Chiras – Yes; and J. Carroll – Yes to close the Public Hearing.

(248-686) 0 Genivieve Drive (Map 16, Parcel 268)

Proposed construction of a single family home and associated activities within a buffer zone. Applicant is Cora Lane Group, LLC represented by Turning Point Engineering. PO Box 757, Sutton, MA 01590.

Travis Brown, Turning Point Engineering, stated that everything has been addressed. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) # has been received.

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Motion made by S. Gniadek and seconded by J. Carroll. The NCC voted 4-0 by roll call vote of B. McNamee – Yes; S. Gniadek – Yes; R. Chiras – Yes; and J. Carroll – Yes to close the Public Hearing.

(248-653/248-665) Syncarpha Northbridge I / II Solar

Requests for Certificates of Compliance.

They are still working on the peer review from Graves Engineering. They have requested a continuance. The NCC voted to continue the request to the next meeting..

Old / New Business

Leland Road - Drainage

D. Pickart visited the site last Saturday and very little drainage is leaving both sites onto Leland Road.

<u>Chloe Mawn</u> – Vacancy Candidate

C. Mawn explained a little about herself that she has been in the green industry for 10 years doing lawn care and management. She has supplied a resume with her talent bank form. She is a long-time resident and wants to help out with conservation.

Cindee Cummiskey - Vacancy Candidate

C. Cummiskey explained that she has been a resident for about 17 years and is an environmental consultant and geologist. She has a strong interest in environmental conservation and will provide us with a talent bank form.

Other

The NCC discussed the possibility of an <u>associate or alternate member (non-voting)</u> and what that would entail. They may be able to give input and ask questions and maybe help with a quorum. This will be looked into in more detail.

C. Campbell arrived at 7:20PM.

<u>Linwood Avenue</u> – From the parking lot of the middle school you can see extensive clearing to the Mumford River of the landscaping business that is across the street. There is lots of exposed soil along the stream bank. The Conservation Agent will draft and send an Enforcement Order (EO) informing the owner to stop the clearing, install erosion controls and that some restoration work will need to be done. They will need to hire someone to prepare the restoration plan. The NCC will ratify the EO at the next meeting.

<u>Union Street</u> – The OOC for the single-family dwelling on Union Street has been appealed to DEP. DEP will be doing a site walk on June 10, 2021 at 1:00PM. Per D. Pickart, there is a one (1) inch deep puddle in the wetland as of yesterday.

The NCC members present performed <u>administrative tasks</u> (signed Orders, etc.) that were needed.

Adjournment

Motion made by R. Chiras and seconded by J. Carroll. The NCC voted 5-0 to <u>adjourn</u> the meeting about 7:55PM by roll call vote of J. Carroll – Yes; C. Campbell – Yes; R. Chiras – Yes; S. Gniadek – Yes; and B. McNamee – Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

DATE APPROVED:

november 03, 2021

Barbara A. Kinney

Conservation Administrative Assistant

June 02, 2021

CONSERVATION MAIL LIST

FROM	DATE	SUBJECT
CDM Smith	05/03/2021	Linwood Ave, Jon Cir, Edgemere Ave, Court St Water Main
Planning Office	05/26/2021	CMRPC Planning Assist. Proposal (Regional Infrastructure)
Div. of Fisheries & Wildlife	04/23/2021	Draft Priority Habitat Map Comment Period
TEC Associates	04/20/2021	P & W Railroad 2021 Vegetation Control Program
Guerriere & Halnon	05/18/2021	Ashton Place – Request for Certificate of Compliance
Yvette Ayotte	06/01/2021	Litter in Our Wetlands

WEEKLY REPORTS

- May 09, 2021 to May 15, 2021
- May 16, 2021 to May 22, 2021
- May 23, 2021 to May 29, 2021

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED AT MEETING