



## TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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### Meeting Minutes May 16, 2018

Barbara McNamee, Joy Anderson, Cindy Campbell, Justine Carroll, and Rich Chiras were present. Justin Arbuckle and Gerry Ouillette were absent. Barbara Kinney, Conservation Commission (NCC) Administrative Assistant, and David Pickart, Conservation Agent, were also present.

Ms. Anderson opened the meeting at 7:01PM.

#### Citizen's Forum

None

#### **(248-652) (Lot 3) 934 Quaker Street (Map 28, Parcel 30)**

Proposed construction of a single-family dwelling with septic and well along with associated utilities, excavating and landscaping within the buffer zone. The applicant is Quarry Hill Development represented by Andrews Survey & Engineering (ASE), 104 Mendon Street, Uxbridge, MA 01569.

The legal requirements have been satisfied including notification to abutters and posting of the legal ad. John Madeiros, ASE, explained that all construction will be outside the 50 foot buffer zone and the treatment of the roof run-off now has a cultec system to capture and filter it. This system is now shown on the plan and meets the conditions of the Town bylaw and the Wetlands Protection Act (WPA). The septic system will have a leaching chamber and liner. The bounds are now shown on the plan.

*Motion made by Ms. Campbell and seconded by Ms. McNamee. The NCC voted 5-0 to close the Public Hearing.*

*Motion made by Ms. McNamee and seconded by Ms. Campbell. The NCC voted 5-0 to accept the plan entitled "Sewage Disposal System (Lot 3) Quaker Street" prepared by ASE dated April 19, 2018 with a final revision date of May 16, 2018 and issue the Order of Conditions.*

#### **Old / New Business**

##### Hudson Street Enforcement Order – Ratify

Gerry Caya (owner), Shirley Heney (previous owner) and Ida Haley (Shirley's sister) were present regarding this enforcement order. The Assessor's record is not up-to-date, so that is why Ms. Heney was notified. The earthwork is being done and it is washing into the catch basin that discharges into the Blackstone River. Mr. Caya and the residents insist that the runoff is coming from the town owned property. The NCC was told there was also

a water main break last year and it was not fixed properly. Mr. Pickart looked at the site multiple times from complaints that the NCC Office has received. He is asking that the erosion controls be installed to prevent sediment coming off the lot. Mr. Caya insists that it is not coming from his lot. Ms. Anderson suggested that a couple of the NCC members and the Agent meet onsite with Mr. Caya to review the issues and see if they can determine where the runoff is coming from. A site visit has been scheduled for Monday, May 21, 2018 at 3:00PM. Ms. McNamee and Ms. Anderson will attend. Ms. Kinney will check with Mr. Arbuckle to see if he can attend as well.

#### Permit Attachments – Review

This item has been tabled as the Agent is not finished drafting the changes.

#### Bylaw Revision(s) – Discussion

Since there have been several forest cutting plans for large sites that have had violations, the NCC discussed what could be done to prevent it from happening again. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is looking into it as well since someone complained directly to DEP regarding the McQuade's Lane forest cutting site. The NCC Agent suggested changing the bylaw to eliminate the exemption. The NCC agrees that this needs to be done. The Agent will begin working on the draft changes.

*Motion made by Mr. Chiras and seconded by Ms. Campbell. The NCC voted 5-0 to amend the town bylaw to exclude the exemption for forest cutting projects.*

#### **Enforcement Actions**

None

#### **Minutes**

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*Motion made by Ms. Campbell and seconded by Ms. McNamee. The NCC voted 5-0 to accept the minutes of May 02, 2018 as written.*

#### **Executive Session**

None

#### **Other**

Lot 6 Providence Road – Mr. Pickart received confirmation from ASE that the permit was sent to the Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP) and that they could do the work requested. Mr. Pickart met with the owner and the septic system will be 205 feet from the Blackstone River with the disturbance 190 feet away. They will slide the septic system over 10 feet and restore the 10 feet that is within the 200 foot buffer zone. The erosion controls will be installed tomorrow (May 17, 2018). The NCC agrees that this is a friendly resolution.

Carpenter Estates – Mr. Pickart will issue a stern letter that the amendment is needed for the replication area and he will include a completion date or an enforcement order will be issued and possible fines levied.

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

*Motion made by Ms. Campbell and seconded by Ms. Carroll. The NCC voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting about 8:33PM.*

Respectfully submitted,

DATE APPROVED:



Barbara A. Kinney  
Conservation Administrative Assistant

*October 02, 2019*

May 16, 2018

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### ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED AT MEETING

- Agent Report Dated May 15, 2018
- Revised Quaker Street (Lot 3) Plans Dated 05/16/2018