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Stoneham Conservation Commission
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**STONEHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
June 22, 2020
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Commission members in attendance: Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride

PUBLIC HEARING:

11 South Marble

Adrian Poci

The regulation of the flow of water in backyard, in and out of the channel, by replacing the old pipe and extending it along the entire length of the channel. Notice of Intent Continued

Motion to continue until July 13, 2020 made by Norm L'Esperance, seconded by Bob Parson Roll Call Bob Parsons, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, and Ellen McBride voted Yes 6/0

Rear Hillside Ave.

Jim Juliano

Construction of a new single family house with driveway and associated grading in the 100 foot buffer zone. Notice of Intent continued/Request for Determination of Applicability continued.

Motion made by Bob Parsons 2nd by Norm L'Esperance. Roll call Bob Parsons, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 6/0

MWRA

MWRA Section 89 Pipeline Replacement

Stantec- Lori Benoit, Patrick Barrett

Order of Conditions issued

Motion to accept the order of conditions made by Alex Rozycki 2nd by Norm L'Esperance Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 7/0

4 Columbus Ave

Ken Bowdidge

Order of Conditions issued once DEP number provided- 297-0396

Motion by Norm L'Esperance to accept the order of conditions, 2nd by Alex Rozycki Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 7/0

Montvale Ave Culvert

Mel Higgins/David Klinch

Amended order of Conditions requested

Motion to continue until July 13, 2020 made by Norm L'Esperance, 2nd by Alex Rozycki Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 7/0

23 Valley Rd

Charles Houghton for George Haley

Request for Determination of Applicability

Mary Rimmer delineated. Resident would like to remove 3 trees within 100 foot, outside of 25 foot no disturb for safety reasons. 16" white pine, tall and sways. 40" red maple with 4 stems. Black Oak right next to house. Arborists recommend removal, Charlie Houghton to send arborist report to Conservation office. Brett Gonsalves asked to assess health of trees. Mary Rimmer suggest shrub replacement to include high bush blueberry, flowering dogwood, and/or sweet pepper bush. Motion to approve 3 trees removal with replacement plan at July 13, 2020 meeting by Norm L'Esperance, 2nd by Megan Day. Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 6/0

AT&T

Scott Adams/John Hampton

Request for Determination of Applicability

Motion to continue until July 13, 2020 by Norm L'Esperance, 2nd by Bob Parsons Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 7/0

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

4 Doherty's Lane

Sean Maher

Requests a partial certificate of compliance.

Motion to grant by Norm L'Esperance, 2nd by Bob Parsons Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 7/0

DISCUSSION ONLY:

2 North Street

Tom Mackay

Bear Hill Golf Course

Discussion of restoring impacted areas and tree plantings.

Ellen McBride says that a restoration plan is forthcoming.

3 Daniel Drive

Joseph Penney

DCR report

A significant amount of trees were removed, waiting on DCR legal. Extensive violation, Conservation Commission will work with DCR and resident to determine plan to replace trees.

Iris Society

Linda Corapi

Use of Whip Hill August 2020

Iris Society's annual auction with 15-20 people will be an outdoor meeting with masks and social distancing. Would use bathrooms and kitchen sink with outside courtyard. Horticultural event on Sunday August 9th or 16th from 10am-3pm. Bob Parsons asks about liability and involving Board of Health. Bob Parsons makes a motion

to approve pending Board of Health permissions, Norm L'Esperance seconds. Roll call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 7/0

Staples Warehouse

Park Avenue LLC

Wetlands Protection

Alex Rozycki, Ellen McBride and Bob Parsons conducted a site visit after neighbor reported wetlands violations including truck washing and dumpster location near wetlands. Staples corporate responded by moving dumpsters closer to building, and truck washing location away from wetlands.

7 Emerald Court

John McNamara

Protection of Wetlands

Ellen McBride has visited property and is concerned about run off from driveway going in to stream. Mr. McNamara will be asked to attend July 13, 2020 meeting to discuss insuring wetlands are protected.

158 Franklin Street

Charles Rotondi

Wetlands protection

Discussion of resource area, Conservation asks permission to view property. Driveway work is delayed but outside 100 foot are stockpiles of materials. Will continue until July 13, 2020 so site visit may occur.

Permit for Tree Removal

Ellen McBride

Discussion of bylaw or policy for permit for tree removal. Continued until July 13, 2020

Approve Meeting Minutes May 11, 2020 and June 1, 2020

Motion by Megan Day to approve both dates meeting minutes, 2nd by Bob Parsons. Roll Call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Rob Fotino, Jessica Gerke, Ellen McBride Yes 6/0

Next Meeting July 13, 2020

Bob Parsons brings up inspections by Brett Gonsalves, arborists only if enough to do at one time, agent work, wetland scientist on call are all aspects of Jim Previte's job for Conservation Commission. Alex Rozycki agrees there should be dedicated agent for Conservation Commission. Ellen McBride suggests asking Dennis Sheehan for a plan, says she will phone him for a meeting. Expectation is Jim Previte to stay on as caretaker at Whip Hill. Bob Parsons mentions outreach to surrounding communities asking about Conservation agents. Ellen McBride asks Alex Rozycki to send text about arborist or Forestry department for the Town. Megan Day mentions using Jim's hours to fund. Ellen McBride explains Dave Ragucci changing Jim Previte's role to include hundreds of inspections annually and cutting tree warden stipend. Will continue discussion with Mr. Previte July 13, 2020 agenda.

Motion by Megan Day to adjourn, seconded by Norm L'Esperance. Roll call Bob Parsons, Megan Day, Alex Rozycki, Jessica Gerke, Norm L'Esperance, Ellen McBride Yes 6/0