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Conservation Commission

Minutes

January 12, 2022

Members Present: Lori Mitchener, Chair, Randy Mason, Lauren Beshara, Melissa Campbell, Tomas Sanchez

Absent:

Staff Present: Jennifer Ryan, Administrative Assistant
Leah Basbanes, Conservation Agent

Chair Lori Mitchener called the Wednesday January 12th, meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 6:00 PM, by reading the following statement:

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting and all of the public hearings of the North Reading Conservation Commission is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but the public can listen/view/participate in this meeting while in progress by joining the Zoom meeting. Members of the public attending this meeting virtually will be allowed to make comments if they wish to do so, during the portion of the hearing designated for public comment.

The Zoom meeting ID is 845 8035 9823

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Minutes 12/8/21

Motion made to approve 12/8/21 Minutes by Ms. Campbell seconded by Mr. Mason to approve Minutes, voted 5-0

New Business

Bills: WB Mason, Concentra, MACC Dues

Ms. Mitchener approved and signed off on bills.

Certificate of Compliance

37 Haverhill Street (245-1348) single family dwelling/driveway. Enforcement order has been issued.

6 Travelled Way (245-1570) single family dwelling. Waiting for updated information. Unless we hear anything over the next 3 weeks, they will be removed.

Ms. Mitchener opened the Virtual Public Hearings

Notice of Intent

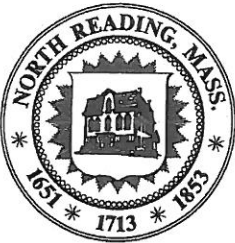
19 Little Meadow Way (245-1703). Thor Akerley presenting. Discussion regarding removing sweet pepper bush and replacing with blueberry plantings and winterberry plantings. Also met with Fire Chief and his main recommendation was to increase width of driveway on either end of the wetland portion of the driveway. Gravel driveway was increased in width to the edge of the retaining wall, removing shoulder to do so. Aside from that no changes to the plan.

Ms. Mitchener opened the hearing to the public for questions. There were no public present via remote call.

Motion made by Mr. Mason, seconded by Ms. Campbell; voted 5-0.

to close the hearing and issue the Order of Conditions with the Standard 46 Special Conditions

- **40 Elm Street (245-xxxx).** Ian Ainsley presenting. Alvin Wong property owner present. Property owners want to add onto the house. In order to do so, they have to upgrade and



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move their septic system to the front of the house. Two additions are proposed, one on each side of the house. The compacted gravel driveway on the right side will be removed and the balance of the amount of impervious area with the new additions will be reduced from 12.4% to 10.9%. Ms. Basbanes has a question into the engineer as to whether gravel is not considered impervious. The existing garage is within the 12' No Disturb Zone but the garage was built in 1970 before the Wetland Protection Act. No DEP# and BOH approval pending. One minor change is to connect the erosion control across the driveway. Requested a continuance to February 9th meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Sanchez, seconded by Mr. Mason; voted 5-0 to continue to February 9th meeting.

Ms. Mitchener opened the hearing to the public for questions. There were no public present via remote call.

Adjourn

Mrs. Mitchener moved, seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and voted 5-0;
That the Conservation Commission adjourn the meeting at 6:24 PM

Approved Melissa A Campbell Dated 2/15/2022