

**CITY OF MARLBOROUGH
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes
January 23, 2014 (Thursday)
Marlborough City Hall – 3rd Floor, Memorial Hall
7:00 PM**

Members Present: Edward Clancy-Chairman, Lawrence Roy, John Skarin, Dennis Demers, and Allan White. Also present was Priscilla Ryder-Conservation Officer

Absent: David Williams (Michelle Higgins- resigned)

Public Hearings:

Request for Determination of Applicability

Bolton St. – City of Marlborough (DPW)

Tim Collins, Assistant City Engineer, was present and explained that the Marlborough Dept. of Public Works proposes to replace the existing sewer force main on a portion of Bolton St. They had originally planned just to reline the existing pipe, but the cost was prohibitive with the temporary bypass line. The new plan is to use the existing pipe during construction and lay a brand new pipe in the ground, leaving the existing pipe in place for future repairs as necessary. Erosion controls will be placed as shown on the plan; the Commission confirmed that they would be removed promptly when the project is completed. Straw waddles may be used. The Commission discussed the plans and then closed the hearing. They voted unanimously 5-0 to issue a negative determination with standard conditions.

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Hosmer St. – City of Marlborough (DPW)

Tim Collins, Assistant City Engineer, was present and explained that the Marlborough Dept. of Public Works proposes to replace the existing sewer force main on a portion of Hosmer St. He explained that they would be doing the same process as for Bolton St. as described above, using the existing pipe as the bypass while they construct and install the new pipe in the roadway. The Commission discussed the erosion controls and bypass issues. The hearing was closed and the Commission voted 5-0 to issue a negative determination with standard conditions.

Notice of Intent (Continuation)

Lakeside Ave. – Crabtree Lake Williams, LLC – Overlook at Lake Williams

Mika Lassila of S.J. Mullaney Engineering and Rick Roper of Crabtree Lake Williams were both present. Mr. Lassila explained that they had made some small changes to the plan based on the previous meeting, including the grading changes and barrier behind buildings 6 & 8 and the change in the Land Subject to Flooding. The new plan set is dated 1-23-14. The Commission noted that the change was acceptable and there being no further discussion closed the hearing. The Commission reviewed the draft Order of Conditions and they discussed the no tolerance policy noted in the document due to the proximity of the project to Lake Williams. They also discussed at length the condition to require an onsite erosion control expert and preconstruction meeting with the Commission at a regularly scheduled meeting. After some discussions and amendments the Commission voted 5-0 to issue the Order of Conditions as drafted and amended.

The abutter Bob Greska asked to be notified when the preconstruction meeting is to be held with the Commission, so he can attend.

Notice of Intent – Continued to February 20, 2014

397 Bolton Street - The Marlborough Community Development Authority

At the applicants request this hearing was continued to the February 20, 2014 meeting

Discussion: DEP 212-1115 Avalon Marlborough- Simarano Dr. – Pre-construction meeting. Steve Gorning and Tony Sanchez from Avalon Bay, Tim Parris PE from HW Moore; Tim Chorey, Griffin Ryder and Mr. Negal from VHB; Mr. Buckman and Steve Harrington from LNM Construction were all present.

Mr. Sanchez explained that he is in charge of the site and has put together a great team to keep the project moving and clean and the wetlands and drainage protected. They chose VHB as their erosion control consultants, since they seem to have a good track record in Marlborough and are familiar with the soils in the area having worked on the 555 Forest St. project and previously the 3-Com site. They chose LNM Construction because they have the proper equipment and talent and are also familiar with difficult sites like this one. Mr. Sanchez reviewed the sequencing/phasing plan and explained that they would mobilize the clearing crew for each phase. They will install detention basins and erosion controls first before anything else; in fact erosion controls were being installed that day. He went through the plan and the steps to be followed and protocol, emergency contact list, truck route- which will be to I-495. The Commission discussed their concern with that many trucks (200+) beating up Simarano Dr. before and after reconstruction, specifically they were concerned with impacts to waterlines and utilities. Avalon staff assured them that if something got broken because of their work they would fix it. After more discussion about process and processing materials, the Commission was satisfied that the contractor and team knew what to do to keep the site under control. They asked for weekly report updates

Draft Order of Conditions

- DEP 212-1122 25 Reagin Ln. The applicant had mailed the stone wall detail which the Commission found acceptable. The Commission then reviewed the draft Order of Conditions and voted unanimously 5-0 to issue the Order as drafted and amended.

Certificate of Compliance:

- DEP 212-969 Sterling Woods Subdivision – full Certificate - Ms. Ryder said she'd been in touch with the Engineering Dept. and confirmed that the detention basin repair which was the subject of this Order has been completed per the plans. Ms. Ryder reviewed the conditions and found that they had all been met. The commission voted unanimously 5-0 to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for this project.

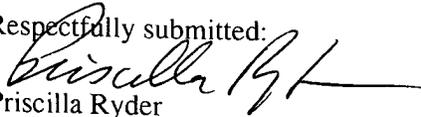
Correspondence/Other Business:

- MACC Annual Environment Conference – 2014 (Saturday-March 1, 2014)- the Commission reviewed and voted to accept and place on file.

Next meetings: Next Conservation Commission meetings - March 6th and March 20th, 2014
(Thursdays)

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted:


Priscilla Ryder
Conservation Officer