

**CITY OF MARLBOROUGH  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Minutes  
October 4, 2018 (Thursday)  
Marlborough City Hall – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Memorial Hall  
7:00 PM**

**Present:** Edward Clancy – Chairman, John Skarin, Karin Paquin, Allan White, also present was Priscilla Ryder Conservation Officer.

**Absent:** William Dunbar, Dennis Demers and David Williams

**Public Hearings**

**Notice of Intent**

**249 Lakeshore Dr. - Janet Vigeant**

Neil Vigeant and Janet Vigeant were both present. Mr. Vigeant explained that he is proposing to remove and replace the existing retaining wall along the water's edge of Ft. Meadow Reservoir. He also would like to remove the boathouse that is there, he passed around photos of this structure, and replace it in-kind. They would like to proceed in two phases. First phase: remove the boathouse this season and have the wall evaluated by their engineer, Peter Bemis. The second year they will remove and replace the wall and footings for the boathouse and then rebuild the boathouse either similar or more as a boat "port" without walls (pillars with a roof). They are still deciding on final building option and will need to confirm with building department too. They have a sloped access point, so can bring equipment down by the house to access the wall and do the job. The Commission noted that they would need details on the wall foundation and footing to be used once it is evaluated by the project engineer. After further discussion, the Commission closed the hearing. Ms. Ryder will draft conditions for the next meeting on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Request for Determination of Applicability (continuation)**

**Howe and Valley Streets - Marlborough Hub, LLC**

At the applicants' request, this item was continued to the Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Notice of Intent - 212-1202 (continuation)**

**186 Reservoir St. - Fabriana Menezes**

Ms. Menezes was present and provided a revised plan which showed a wider driveway which still extends a bit into the Floodplain and Wetlands Protection District's 30' setback. They will have the erosion controls repaired by Fabio DaSilva landscape company

tomorrow. She discussed the runoff from the street and if this could be redirected, so it doesn't flow across the property and some regrading on the property will help. Ms. Ryder noted that the oil tank is outside and exposed and asked if this was to be placed inside the building. Ms. Menezes said yes, the final design is for the oil tank to be inside the building. The Commission said they had no more questions on the plan and the deck and were going to close the hearing, however Ms. Menezes noted she might want to move the building up in line with the existing building and get a variance for that. The Commission noted that any changes to the plans would require reopening the hearing and leaving the hearing open until she is sure what she is doing might be beneficial. After some discussion, the hearing was continued to the November 1, 2018 meeting.

**Discussion:**

- 12 Rose Pointe - Violation - The owners did not appear, however the Commission asked Ms. Ryder to be in touch with the owners and work with them to plant plants now since the growing season is almost over. The Commission asked for her to report back and that the owners do not need to appear before the Commission.

**Certificates of Compliance:**

- 212-1149 Elm Street Culvert – City of Marlborough - The Commission noted that there is still an area where the water line was repaired that is still raw land and not vegetated or stabilized. Once this is completed they will revisit the request for a Certificate of Compliance.

**Order of Conditions:**

- 28 Littlefield Ln. – yard & pool & patio - The Commission reviewed the draft Order of Conditions and after some discussion, voted unanimously 4-0 to issue the Order of Conditions as drafted.

**Correspondence/Other Business:**

- Panther/Boroughs Loop Trail – update - Ms. Ryder noted that she and Ms. Paquin will be working with volunteers on Saturday Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at both Felton and Cider Knoll Conservation Lands doing trail construction with volunteers from the Rotary Club and Boy Scouts. Trail work will be ongoing from now until it snows and then again in the spring with a goal of completing the Panther/Boroughs loop trail connections by June 2019.
- WMCT-TV- Ms. Ryder will be working with the local cable company to develop several more tv segments on the remaining properties that haven't been covered, The Desert, Mt. Ward, and Sheep Falls Brook. If anyone wants to join in the next couple of weeks weather permitting.
- 16 Bracken Dr. – the owner of this property wants to pave a gravel area along the driveway which the Commission had just reviewed and approved for a patio and wall work. As the area


is already gravel and was already reviewed, the Commission had no issue having it converted to pavement and granted approval of this minor change. Ms. Ryder will convey.

- The City Engineer had requested clarification from Ms. Ryder as to what type of permit would be required for repair work at the Donald Lynch Blvd. and Boston Post Rd. East sewer pump stations. Both projects are near wetlands, but more than 50' away. The Commission agreed these could be filed as Requests for Determination of Applicability (RDA) Ms. Ryder will convey.

**Next Meetings** - October 18, 2018

**Adjournment** - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Priscilla Ryder  
Conservation Officer