

CITY OF MARLBOROUGH

Conservation Commission

Minutes

June 3, 2021 (Thursday) 7:00 PM

This meeting was conducted virtually and recorded using the Microsoft Team's platform.

Chairman Edward Clancy read the following notice: *"Due to statewide emergency actions limiting the size of public gatherings in response to COVID-19, this meeting will be held virtually with remote participation and will be closed to in-person attendance." The public can participate via Microsoft Teams. The "link" will be posted on the City's and Conservation's websites:*

<https://www.marlbrough-ma.gov/>

Present: By roll call – Remotely: Edward Clancy- Chairman, William Dunbar, David Williams, Karin Paquin, and John Skarin,

In Memorial Hall: Dennis Demers and Allan White. Also present was Priscilla Ryder, Conservation Officer.

Absent: none

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of May 20, 2021 were reviewed. On a motion to accept and place on file by Allan White and second by Edward Clancy. The minutes were unanimously approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.

Public hearings:

Request for Determination of Applicability

656 Boston Post Rd. - Global Montello Group Corp.

At the applicants request prior to the meeting, the applicant has asked this item to be continued to the June 17, 2021 meeting. The Commission unanimously agreed to continue this item.

Discussion/Correspondence/Other Business:

- 149 Hayes Memorial Dr. (212-1193) – Discussion with contractors, pre-construction meeting as required per Order of Conditions - Israel Lopez from the Gutierrez Co. introduced the team that will be working on this project. Will Park from SMMA; Vern Kakosa Erosion Control experts from Sanborn Head; and Andrew Surmick of J. R. Vinagro Corp the site contractor. Mr. Surmick explained the construction sequence and reviewed the revised set of plans showing the temporary sewer connection before the final sewer will be connected. They will use a feller buncher to clear the property. Limbs will be chipped, and logs hauled away. Mr. Demers asked about the sewer bypass and was assured that they would have adequate pumps to bypass double the capacity needed so they will have plenty of redundancy. They will monitor for one day prior to doing any of

the work to be sure they have the correct equipment. In phase 2 the access road will be under control, they will remove the over burden, and create the ponds. They will install woodchip/stump grinding berms. Quite a bit of blasting will be needed. The Commission was assured that the tracking pad would be thick and rugged to remove any mud from tires- 8"-12" stones will be used. There was discussion about trucking excess material off site, structural fill being made on site from blasted material, staging areas and equipment to be used. They would like to begin work on June 14th to install erosion control with tree cutting to follow on June 16th and the sewer bypass to start on June 21st. Mr. Kakosa from Sanborn Head explained they will do weekly reports and after every storm of ½ " they will also have a Geotech on site who will assist and have eyes on the project. Ms. Ryder noted that an onsite preconstruction meeting is needed as well. Several commission members expressed interest. Ms. Ryder will notify. As there were no further questions, the Chairman thanked the applicant and his team for attending.

Order of Conditions

- 146 Phelps St. – Review “draft” Order of Conditions - Mr. Demers indicated he would be abstaining from this discussion. Chairman Clancy reviewed the draft Order, after some discussion, it was noted to eliminate #38, 37 & 36 as they seem to relate to another project and not this one. All the remaining conditions were ok. On a motion by Mr. White second by Mr. Clancy to approve the Order as written and amended. The Commission voted as follows on a roll call vote: Yeas – Allan White, David Williams, Karin Paquin, John Skarin, William Dunbar, and Edward Clancy. Nay: 0. Abstained 1 (Dennis Demers) Vote 6-0 it was approved.

Extension Permit:

- 212-1201 241 Stow Rd. – 3 yr. extension – Ms. Ryder noted that the owner has not been able to move on this lot due to Covid-19 and other issues. This was for a delineation. The Commission decided that they could grant an extension as long as the wetland flags were re-established, so they are visible. On a motion by John Skarin second by Mr. Clancy to approve the extension for 3 years pending reflagging. The Commission voted unanimously on a roll call vote 7-0.

Current projects and Violation updates:

- DEP 212-1224 178 Simpson Rd. violation. Ms. Ryder shared pictures of the site and the work that had been done last fall and the beginning of the loaming being started. But no real progress has been made since the May 24th site visit. She also noted that she had asked City Engineer DiPersio what the definition of “clean fill” is and was told that 5% or less of asphalt, and bricks was the standard and given the pictures it may meet that definition. Mr. Demers explained what this should look like when it is blended to meet the “clean fill 5%” rule. (not in big chunks) The Commission asked Ms. Ryder to ask Mr. Biaszza to come to the next meeting and to issue daily fines of \$100 until all the items in the Order are completed. The letter should note: 1. Needs loam

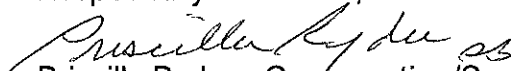
on big slope, 2. Stumps to be removed, 3. Top to be stabilized, and 4. He's had plenty of time and he needs to provide progress updates.

- 541 Pleasant St.- Ms. Ryder noted that the homeowner has responded that he is still looking for a wetland consultant. She has provided another e-mail looking for an update. She will visit the site soon to check the regrowth. Mr. Dunbar was concerned this has been dragging on too long. Mr. Clancy asked that Ms. Ryder communicate with him to get a consultant and to check the site and to file soon.
- Avalon Marlborough Phase II – Ms. Ryder said they did a walk through with this company and they are almost done but still need a few additional items to be met before they will be complete before requesting a Certificate of Compliance.
- Ft. Meadow Reservoir - Lake treatment with an herbicide to control Watermilfoil is being conducted on June 9th. The lake will be closed to use that day, with other water use restrictions for watering lawns or drinking for a few days after that. The notice was provided to the members.
- Memorial Beach – Commission members, Mr. Williams and Mr. Dunbar noted that Memorial beach has been a disaster with beer bottles and broken glass everywhere. Ms. Ryder noted that the beach is not “officially open” with lifeguards who can control this, the police she believes are aware. Ms. Ryder can convey this to the Recreation Department.
- Felton Conservation Land - Ms. Ryder asked if any members knew people who could hay the Felton Conservation land fields. The Commission suggested contacting Framingham, Hudson, and Sudbury Conservation Commissions to see who they might use. Ms. Ryder will inquire.
- Goodale Farms Subdivision – Jenks Rd. - Mr. Dunbar and Mr. Williams noted that the detention basin in this subdivision doesn't seem to be working as there was muddy discharge downstream. Ms. Ryder will investigate.

Next Conservation Commission meetings: June 17th and July 1, 2027 (All these meetings will be in person at city hall as the Covid-19 emergency order has been lifted.)

Adjournment: There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. White second by Edward Clancy, the Commission voted unanimously 7-0 on a roll vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Priscilla Ryder - Conservation/Sustainability Officer