CITY OF MARLBOROUGH MEETING
Conservation Commission
Minutes
December 3, 2020 (Thursday)

Chairman Edward Clancy opened the meeting and read the announcement that the meeting was being held virtual due to the COVID-19 pandemic as required by the Governor, and that the meeting was being held on the Microsoft Teams platform and was being recorded as outlined on the agenda.

Present: On a roll call were the following yea: Edward Clancy, David Williams, William Dunbar, John Skarin, and Karin Paquin were remote.
Allan White, Dennis Demers and Priscilla Ryder-Conservation Officer were in Memorial Hall
All 7 members were present.

Absent: none

Approval of Minutes: no minutes to approve

Public hearings:
Notice of Intent (Continued from November 19, 2020)
61 Amory Rd. - Michael and Rebecca Hansen
Seth Donohoe of Ducharme & Dillis, Civil Design Group, Inc. was present representing the owner. He noted that the revised plan provided to the Commission includes the items requested at the last meeting including dewatering plan, foundation drain, and confirmation that the building is outside the floodplain. Ms. Ryder noted that she has spoken to the Building Inspector who indicated 1’ above floodplain is fine as long as they are outside the floodplain. Ms. Paquin asked about rebuilding the wall at the shoreline. Mr. Donohoe indicated no work was being done at the water’s edge. Mr. Clancy asked if any trees would be removed. The answer was no. As there were no more questions from the Commission or the audience the hearing was closed. The Commission reviewed the draft Order of Conditions and on a motion by Mr. White second by Edward Clancy, the Commission voted with a roll call vote of all yea: Mr. Clancy, Mr. Williams, Mr. Dunbar, Mr. Skarin, Ms. Paquin, Mr. White, and Mr. Demers- The Commission voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Order of Conditions as written.

Certificate of Compliance:
- DEP 212-1211 293 Lakeshore Dr. - Ms. Ryder indicated that she has visited the site. The house is done but the decks and yard stabilization are not done, nor is the dock. The applicant has asked for a Partial Certificate of Compliance so they can get their occupancy permit. The Commission indicated that they could issue a Partial Certificate of Compliance for the housework only, with the decks and yard stabilization and the dock still to be completed. On a motion by Mr. Demers second by Edward Clancy, the Commission voted with a roll call vote of all yea: Mr. Clancy, Mr. Williams, Mr. Dunbar, Mr. Skarin, Ms. Paquin, Mr. White, and Mr. Demers - The Commission voted unanimously 7-0 to issue a Partial Certificate of Compliance for the house.

Violation/project updates:
- Letter to Kevin Gills and Marcel Maillet, dated November 24, 2020  RE: Stormwater & Wetland Violation Notice - $600 fine, Goodale Estates Subdivision, Marlborough - Ms. Ryder provided an update that the site
is now under control and will be monitored daily and before and after each rain event by the contractor. The contractor has been e-mailing updates as required. The fine has also been paid.

Discussion/Correspondence/other business:

- **Snow Dump location** - Mr. DiPersio, City Engineer, was present and asked to speak to the Commission about using a portion of the land near the old Hudson St. Landfill for snow dumping this year. He presented a plan prepared by their consultants showing the location of the landfill and the location on the side of the landfill which is now used for landscape materials. DPW has been working with DEP to gain approval of this location and has asked that the Conservation Commission and the Board of Health review and comment on this plan as well. Mr. DiPersio explained that they would include erosion controls, a barrier to demarcate the snow dump location as shown on the plan. The Commission wanted assurance that the trash left after the snow melts would be removed. They also asked that monitoring the runoff for salt in the detention basin below and in the lake be done. Mr. DiPersio said the trash would be cleaned up and the area maintained regularly. He also confirmed that testing has been ongoing for a while so they do have some baseline data already and will continue monitoring with the snow dump as well. He will provide these baseline reports to the Commission. Mr. Dunbar expressed his concern about salt and debris in the lake and was not in favor of this location. Other members noted that this was a much better location than beside the brook at the DPW yard. Ms. Ryder noted she has walked the site and the detention basin at the base of the hill would need to be monitored and scraped out periodically so it can function well.

After some discussion the Commission decided to approve this location with a roll call vote as follows:

**Yea:** Mr. Clancy, Mr. Williams, Mr. Skarin, Ms. Paquin, Mr. White, and Mr. Demers. **Nay:** Mr. Dunbar.

**Vote:** 6-1 vote carries with the conditions that the site is tested for salinity regularly, the site is maintained.

erosion control barriers are installed and maintained.

- **339 Boston Post Rd.** - Ms. Ryder noted that she had forwarded to the Commission the revised conceptual plans for the 339 Boston Post Rd. project which has moved all work outside of the floodplain and all drainage is now proposed in detention basins and not underground system. She noted that they will need to return to the Commission, once City Council has rendered a decision, to amend the Order of Conditions.

**Next Conservation Commission meetings** – December 17th, 2020 and January 7th, 2021

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

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Ryder
Conservation Officer