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TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2015

Attending: D. Tinio, W. Aten, M. Ammendolia, T. Aicardi; Tim Tetreault, Bob Choquette, Darlene Pellerise, Lake Nipmuc residents; Sue Barnett, Bill Dakai, Town Forest Committee; Lawrence Cook, M. DellaGala, Sean Robinson, Jay Byer, Miscoe Elementary solar project; Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Matthews, 37 Kinsley Ln.

T. Aicardi called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

The Commissioners discussed the potential solar project at Miscoe Elementary with Lawrence Cook of ESI Power Corp. The planned project consists of solar panels on carport-type structures over existing parking areas. The carports will have footings through the asphalt and will be 14 feet high to accommodate trucks. The power that is generated will power the school. L. Cook explained that there are gaps in between the panels to allow runoff through. He also explained that because the panels are an impervious surface over the parking lot, which was an existing impervious surface, there is no net change in runoff from the site. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin had emailed his concern over potential thermal pollution to the runoff from the panels. L. Cook said that the panels have potential to reduce the temperature of the runoff because they are not as hot as asphalt and the asphalt underneath the panels would be shaded. M. Ammendolia requested a print out of the plans to show the distance between the project and the nearby wetlands. Upon presentation of such a plan, the Commissioners approved the project with the condition that silt sock and silt fencing be installed along the edge of the site near the wetland during construction. **All members were in agreement.**

The Commissioners reviewed a Request for Jurisdictional Project Determination for 37 Kinsley Lane with Wallace Matthews for replacement of the existing footings for the house. W. Matthews installed hay bales in case any erosion occurred. Previously, his neighbors had notified the Commission that he was intending to do septic work. W. Matthews explained that he is working with an engineer for that project and is not yet seeking approval as it is still in the planning stages. There had also been a concern over a certified vernal pool in the area. However, because he is working within the existing footprint of the building, the work was determined to have no impact on wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 37 Kinsley Ln.**

The Commissioners discussed a potential foot bridge in the Town Forest with Sue Barnett and Bill Dakai of the Town Forest Committee. They would like to install it in a low spot that is frequently wet on the easement that was just approved. It would span 30 feet and will be constructed by hand. The project was determined to have no impact on wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of a Jurisdictional Project Determination for the Town Forest.**

The Commissioners discussed 34 George Street with Bob Poxon of Guerriere & Halnon. The Commission had received a complaint that the erosion control needed to be maintained. He said that they stopped by the site and fixed it earlier that day. There were also concerns raised over the proximity of the drainage locations to nearby wetlands. B. Poxon explained that they are following the previously approved plans, people are likely just surprised at the unexpected locations.

Tim Tetreault, Bob Choquette, and Darlene Pellerise were in attendance to inquire about the status of the Lake Nipmuc weed control project. The Commission has still been unable to reach anyone at Lycott but will continue to try since the season is approaching for the weed control project.

M. Ammendolia made and Chairman D. Tinio seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated April 9, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commissioners set the following future meeting dates: June 4 & 18, July 16 & 30.

The Commissioners reviewed the plans for road acceptance for Cobbler's Knoll.

The Commissioners reviewed a Request for Jurisdictional Project Determination for 2 Adare Rd for a 20x20 addition. The work was determined to have no impact on wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 2 Adare Rd.**

The Commissioners reviewed a Request for Jurisdictional Project Determination for 60 Uxbridge Rd for removal of a tree. The work was determined to have no impact on wetlands as long as silt fence was installed to prevent erosion into the lake. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 60 Uxbridge Rd with this condition.**

The Commissioners reviewed a Request for Jurisdictional Project Determination for 18 George St for regrading and installing temporary garages. The work was determined to have no impact on wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 18 George St.**

The Commissioners reviewed a Request for Jurisdictional Project Determination for 26 Bates St for an 18x36 in ground pool. The work was determined to have no impact on wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 26 Bates St.**

The Commissioners reviewed a Request for Jurisdictional Project Determination for 20 Thayer Rd for clearing, planting grass, and installing a fence. The work was determined to have no impact on wetlands as long as erosion control was installed along the side. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 20 Thayer Rd with this condition.**

The Commissioners reviewed Requests for Certificates of Compliance for: Cobbler's Knoll 218-0547, Cobbler's Knoll 218-0561, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 30 Haywood Circle, and 11 Haywood Circle (now 16 Warfield Drive). The Orders of Conditions were no longer valid. **T. Aicardi made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve Certificates of Compliance for the previously listed addresses as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

The Commissioners reviewed Requests for Certificates of Compliance for: 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 20, 22, 28, and 30 Haywood Circle. The work had been completed. **T. Aicardi made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve Certificates of Compliance for the previously listed addresses as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

Chairman D. Tinio made and T. Aicardi seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Leah Cameron, Administrative Clerk

Documents Discussed located in the Conservation Commission Office:

Meeting minutes of April 9, 2015

Jurisdictional Project Determinations for: Miscoe Elementary, 37 Kinsley Ln, Town Forest, 2 Adare Rd, 60 Uxbridge Rd, 18 George St, 26 Bates St, & 20 Thayer Rd

34 George St plans

Road Acceptance plans for Cobbler's Knoll

Requests for Certificates of Compliance & Certificates of Compliance for: Cobbler's Knoll 218-0547 & 218-0561, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 30 Haywood Circle, 11 Haywood Circle (now 16 Warfield Dr), 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 20, 22, 28, & 30 Haywood Circle