



CITY OF MELROSE

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Commission

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Melrose Conservation Commission Minutes for March 27, 2014

Present: Susan Murphy, Richard Doucette, Kevin Anderson, and Erin Heacock
Absent: Aaron Weieneth and Kate Hickey

Ms. Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

Public Hearings

16 Crystal St – Abbreviated NOI – new structural supports and new driveway- DEP# 217-0190

Mr. Dilulio, the homeowner, was present. Mr. Dilulio wants to add a sun porch off the back of his current home and will add three spona tubes within the floodplain to Ell Pond. Mr. Dilulio explained to members that he discussed the work with Rick Salvo, from Engineering Alliance. Mr. Salvo suggested compensatory flood storage be provided. The new plans, dated the same as the old, but stamped by Mr. Salvo, show 1.32 cubic feet of floodplain to be filled with 11.3 cubic feet storage provided. An additional parking area will require a new retaining wall and fill. The retaining wall and fill are out of the floodplain area. Ms. Murphy asked that proper sedimentation and haybales be installed. Ms. Heacock said that she appreciates the pervious pavers being used for the new parking area. Mr. Dilulio said he would like to remove additional pavement and add more pervious pavement. Erosion control will be installed within 5' of the limit of work on the southside and extending to the northwest boundary. Chair went through the Special Conditions and removed non-applicable portions. The compensatory storage will be done after work is completed.

Ms. Murphy moved to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Doucette; and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Anderson moved to issue an Order of Conditions with the amended standard conditions, seconded by Ms. Heacock, and voted unanimously in favor.

49 Tremont St./Lloyd Memorial Swimming Pool – Request for Determination

Mike Rongione, Managing Engineer and Lauren Hastings, Sr. Environmental Scientist, both from Pare Corporation, were present for the applicant MADCR. Mr. Rongione outlined the scope of work for members. She explained that Ell Pond is to the back of the property and a stream runs along the northern border of the site. The pool has elevated concrete on three sides and a

timber decking on one side with piping underneath. The MADCR is having problems with screws lifting and the applicant is proposing to replace the current timber decking with a concrete elevated deck. All the work will be done within the concrete walls. Steel beams and sona tubes will be used and installed by hand between the pool and the outside concrete. All material will be taken off of the pool apron. A concrete truck will pump from Tremont St. Haybales will be installed along the perimeter of the pool. Ms. Hastings explained the wetland delineation that she did. Ms. Hastings said that Ell Pond is to the East and there is a stream that flows into Ell Pond and the Bordering Vegetated Wetlands associated with the stream is outlined by wetland flags A1-A5. She explained that a small portion of the pool deck will be within the 20' no disturb. The entire project is within the floodplain but no elevation change is proposed. Ms. Murphy asked if any flood storage is being lost. Mr. Rongione said a small amount may leak through, but nothing substantial. It was decided to dispose of all soil removed off site. Mr. Doucette felt cyclone fencing would make more sense than installing haybales for this project. Mr. Rongione said they expect to start work in September, after the summer use.

Mr. Anderson moved to close the Public Hearing and issue a Negative 2 & 3 Determination, with the following conditions; excavated soil for footings be removed off site, and cyclone fencing be used for erosion control. Mr. Doucette seconded the motion; and it was voted 4-0.

1 Patriot Way – Request for Determination

The applicant was unable to attend this meeting and requested a continuance to April.

Ms. Murphy moved to continue the Public Hearing to April 17, 2014, seconded by Ms. Heacock, and voted 4-0

Minutes

Mr. Doucette moved to approve the Minutes of January 30, 2014. Ms. Heacock seconded the motion and it was unanimously voted in favor.

Other Business

Sustainability Committee: Ms. Heacock advised members that the Committee has been working on the upcoming Fair on May 3rd, held from 10-2pm. The Conservation Commission is signed up to be a part of the fair. For the top ten things to do, Ms. Heacock has put together a trails list. The next meeting will be on April 3rd at the Milano Center.

604B Water Quality Grant: Ms. Murphy advised members that Tom Pawlina has submitted a grant application for the City.

Correspondence: Fells Brochure, Be a Greenscaper, and UMASS Woods

Adjourn

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn at 9:00 pm, seconded by Ms. Heacock, and voted unanimously in favor.

Pursuant to the 'Open Meeting Law, ' G.L. 39, 23B, the approval of these minutes by the Commission constitutes a certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, and the actions taken at the meeting. Any other description of statements made by any person, or the summary of the discussion of any matter, is included for the purpose of context only, and no certification, express or implied, is made by the Commission as to the completeness or accuracy of such statements.