

CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

FEBRUARY 27, 1996

The meeting was called to order by Vivianne Marcotte, Chairperson, at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Betty Callanan, Dan Gangai, Bonnie Thimble, Peter Tilton, Jr., and Alberta True. Alternates attending were Ellen Goethel, Peter Kowalski and Irene Palmer, sitting in for Dave Weber.

The Minutes of January 23, 1996 were reviewed. With minor corrections, Mr. Gangai motioned to approve the Minutes, seconded by Ms. Callanan. All were in favor.

Wetland Application:

Beachview Realty Trust
Drakeside Rd.

Mr. Mark West, Wetland Scientist, Gove Environmental, and Mr. Tom Nigrelli addressed the Commission. This is an amendment to their wetland application. This amendment includes the following three proposals: (1) A culvert replacement across Drakeside Rd.; (2) The impact along Drakeside Rd. for the purpose of laying sewer pipes; and (3) A road crossing in the northern section of their parcel with an 850 sq. ft. of wetland disturbance. Mr. Gangai motioned not to oppose the amendment. Mr. Tilton seconded the motion. All were in favor. A letter will be sent to the Wetland Board.

Wetlands Decisions:

1. A letter was received from the State of New Hampshire, Dept. of Transportation, an extended permit was granted.
2. Rallis - Rosa Rd., was voted to give permit.

New Business:

1. Besman Development:

An agreement was reached by Mr. Asadoorian, Mr. Robert Nudd, and Ms. Marcotte at the Planning Board Meeting. All in accord that the crossing would reach only one house and lot lines will be changed. Only one house to be built and the rest of the land will be in conservation easement.

2. Rye Budget Committee:

Rye Budget Committee called Ms. Marcotte asking about the Mosquito control and the bird houses and how effective they have been. Ms. Marcotte will refer this to Mr. Weber.

New Business Continued:

3. Marjory Swope:

Ms. Marcotte spoke to Marjory Swope regarding a lot on North Shore Rd. (Moore) which was denied in 1987. This lot is definitely wet. A new plan was received by the NH Wetland Board stating filling in only 400 sq. ft. and clean wet area. The Town of Hampton received a letter from the lawyer giving the Town of Hampton notice that his clients will be seeking Wetland Board approval of a revised plan for replacement of fill and performance of other work in the nature of mitigation on the premise they own at 184 North Shore Rd. This is now in the Rockingham Superior Court. At some point in the ^{near} future, there will be a scheduled Public Hearing on this proposal. The Town will receive a notice on the date and time of this Hearing directly from the Wetlands Board. A short discussion ensued.

4. Gail Chiodo:

Ms. Chiodo lives on Brad Street and corner of Janvrin Rd. She owns a lot adjoining her house lot and it is wet. Ms. Chiodo would like to put a split rail fence around this lot to discourage things from being thrown on this lot. Ms. Chiodo asked about cleaning out the lot and Ms. Marcotte stated that only dead stuff would be allowed to be cleaned out.

5. Chris Rafferty - Glauman Realty

They eliminated one lot off their plan. They have someone interested in buying this house. The perspective buyer is interested in putting in a walkway from their back door through the wet area of the back lot. Ms. Marcotte suggested them contacting their lawyer and having the their property put in conservation easement.

Old Business:

1. House bill:

Mr. Gangai stated there was a hearing on this on February 14th. The Bill not only applies to Soil Scientists but also to licensing to many kinds of people. Soil Scientists may be eliminated from this Bill. Mr. Gangai will be writing letters in support of eliminating ^{certification for} Soil Scientists. He gave a brief overview of the meeting. Ms. Marcotte stated that Marjory Swope had sent updates on Legislations.

Old Business Continued:

2. Jeff Huston:

Ms. Marcotte stated Jeff Huston owns a duplex on Ocean Blvd. Town owns marsh land in back of his property. Mr. Huston has an easement on his driveway. He would like to own this driveway, buy the lot from the Town with the understanding that it will be subdivided and give the Town an easement. He has drawn his own petition to come before Town Meeting. A short discussion ensued.

Projects Reports:

1. Land Acquisition:

The Selectmen have accepted the land from Natalie Bushold on 2/26/96. She has donated 2+ acres to the Town. Ms. Marcotte stated that Ms. Bushold would be happy to help the Commission out with information if they needed her input.

2. NH Estuaries: Mr. Tilton will attend whenever he can.

3. Grants:

Ms. Marcotte stated that our Grant came in with the highest points. This is for Drakeside Rd. Ms. Marcotte read a letter from Frank Richardson to Mr. Wallace, Central Program Grants Coordinator, Office of State Planning.

4. Other:

Ms. Thimble will be reporting on the Victory Garden soon.

Mr. Gangai had an idea for a project to bring awareness of the conservation Commission i.e. recycling plastic bags at the Super Market. A short discussion ensued.

Correspondence:

Brochures and Workshops were reviewed.

Mr. Kowalski will take charge of publicity for the Commission. He also asked about clean-up for the Town of Hampton.

Membership Renewals:

Mr. Gangai assumed Mr. Clifford's term. Mr. Gangai will check with his letter for the exact term. Ms. Thimble must be sworn in and a letter will be sent to the Town Selectmen. Mr. Weber must also get sworn in. Ms. Palmer decided to discontinue as an Alternate once her term was expired.

A letter was received by Kenneth Sheffert who is interested in being an Alternate. Mr. Sheffert was in attendance at this meeting. Mr. Sheffert has just received his Bachelors in Horticulture from the University of New Hampshire. (Crop Science) He has had internship with New Hampshire DES Wetlands Bureau and has identified wetland plants locating potential sites on a topographical map. In addition he has worked with a geological information service. Ms. Marcotte stated the Commission would be happy to have Mr. Sheffert as an Alternate and will write a letter to the Selectmen as well as send along his resume and information.

Treasurer's Report:

Ms. Launi stated that there is \$14,895.90 in the account. Ten thousand of that amount is from Current Use.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's Room. The site walk will be held on Saturday, March 23, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. meeting in the Town Parking Lot.

Ms. Callanan motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m., seconded by Mr. Tilton. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Launi
Secretary