

CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

November 23, 2010

FINAL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairperson Jay Diener at the Hampton Town Office Meeting Room. Commission Members present were Ellen Goethel, Sharon Raymond, Barbara Renaud, Steve Scaturro and Peter Tilton. Commission Member Nathan Page was absent. Alternante Dr. Ralph Falk was absent. Rayann Dionne, Conservation Coordinator, was present. Mark Loopley was present representing the Planning Board.

The Minutes of October 26, 2010 were reviewed and accepted with noted corrections..

The site walk was held Saturday, November 20, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. meeting at the Town Office Parking Lot.

- a. 15 Church Street
- b. 407 Ocean Blvd.
- c. 493 Ocean Blvd.
- d. Winnacunnet High School

NHDES APPLICATIONS

- A. Winnacunnet High School
Tim Gove, Gove Environmental Services

This application is for the maintenance dredging of a small pond that is adjacent to the athletic fields. This is Permit by Notification Form. The Commission is extremely concerned about the efficiency of the sand bags used for several years to control the out flow of fresh water from the pond into the nearby tidal marsh. After a short discussion, Mr. Tilton motioned to not oppose the granting of the wetlands permit with the following recommendations if DES does grant this application:

1. All work shall occur during low water conditions.
2. The dewatering areas (filter bag and dredge stock pile) shall be restored with seed and mulch with salt Hay, following project completion.
3. The Commission highly recommends yearly inspection reports on the swale and pond to monitor their condition and effectiveness. Changes in conditions can be detected and managed earlier which will reduce the cost and magnitude of future maintenance efforts.
4. The Commission would like to know the type fertilizers and frequency of application to those fields that drain to the pond.

Mr. Loopley seconded, and all were in favor.

SPECIAL PERMITS

- A. Winnacunnet High School
Tim Gove, Gove Environmental Services

This Special Permit application is for maintenance dredging of a small pond that is adjacent to the athletic fields. After a brief discussion detailed above, Mr. Tilton motioned to recommend the granting of this Special Permit (per the plan signed and dated by the Chair) with the recommendations above included as permit stipulations. Ms. Renaud seconded the motion. All in favor.

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SPECIAL PERMITS (cont)

- B. 15 Church Street
Gabriello Gabrielli
Agent - J. Corey Colwell

This Special Permit is for as-built plan for permeable paver parking area. An as-built is being submitted for acceptance because of deviations from the original approved plan. This application is continued to the December 21, 2010 meeting.

- C. 407 Ocean Blvd.
Agent - Gary York (Condo President)

This Special Permit is for the replacement of the top asphalt layer on an existing paved driveway/parking area. After a brief discussion, Mrs. Goethel motioned to recommend the granting of this Special Permit (per the plan signed and dated by the Chair) with the following stipulations along with the submission of an additional plan that shows the current elevations of the rear parking area:

1. The embankment at the rear of the parking area contains a strip of tar that extends to the toe of the slope. This strip of asphalt shall not be removed and no new asphalt shall be added. The top portion of this strip shall be maintained by seamlessly interlocking the existing with the new pavement.
2. The Commission commends the condominium association's willingness to remove trash and debris from salt marsh edge. However, pruning the existing vegetation along the embankment should be prohibited. Clean-up efforts are recommended during the Fall and early Spring when the vegetation density is low.
3. Silt fence and salt hay bales shall be placed along the edge of pavement adjacent to the salt marsh (top of the embankment).
4. The Commissioners noted on the site walk that a few trees along the top of the rear embankment are in close to the utility lines. The Condominium Association should contact the utility companies for Advice and/or assistance with any pruning of those trees.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilton with all in favor.

PLANNING BOARD REFERRALS

N/A

APPOINTMENTS

- A. 493 Ocean Blvd (Surfside 30)
Dick Lambruno
George Jones

This appointment was to request/discuss an alternative to guard rails along the edge of the repaved parking area. Two condominium board members, Dick Lambruno and George Jones, addressed the Commission requesting an alternative to the guard rails because of the commercial look of the guard rails. The guard rails were included on the parking area plan that was approved by the Town and NHDES in 2006. The placement of the guard rails helps to prevent cars from entering the marsh and snow storage from encroaching on the marsh in the winter. It was recommended that the guard rails be installed as shown on the plan unless a specific alternative can be found. It was also suggested that something like flower boxes

APPOINTMENTS (CONT)

493 Ocean Blvd.

could be attached to the guard rails to give them a more residential look. Following the discussion, it was noted by the Condominium Board Members that they were unable to locate an original copy of the approved 2006 application & plan. They were informed that a copy could be obtained from the Conservation files.

PLANNING BOARD ACTIONS

- A. Huckleberry Lane Salt Marsh
Vegetation Management Plan. Approved with Conservation Commission stipulations.
- B. 497 Winnacunnet Road
Construction of a 4 ft retaining wall to support two-story deck system. Continued to January 5, 2011.
- C. 124 Landing Road
Two-lot subdivision. Continued to December 1, 2010.

ZONING BOARD ACTIONS - DECISIONS

None

DES ACTIONS

- A. Great Boar's Head. Partially installed retaining wall. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Letter to new home owners that have 50 ft. buffers on their property. This is completed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Vote to accept 23 Glade Path parcel. Ms. Renaud motioned to accept this parcel, seconded by Mr. Tilton. All were in favor.
- B. Review draft language for signs at White's and Jonty's Lanes. Ms. Dionne will re-send information.
- C. Wetland Conservation District Ordinance - Permit expiration. Per the Zoning 2010 Ordinance, any Special Permit granted by the Board shall expire two years from the date of said grant. If the application is not implemented during that time, the Special Permit becomes null and void unless the owner(s) applies for and is granted a two year extension.
- D. Mr. Diener gave a brief update on his visit to 17 Vanderpool.

CONSERVATION COORDINATOR UPDATE

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TREASURER'S REPORT

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2010, meeting in the Town Office Meeting Room. The site walk will be announced and will start at the Town Office Parking Lot.

Ms. Goethel motioned to adjourn at 8:45 p.m., seconded by Mr. Diener. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Launi

Secretary