

CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

AUGUST 27, 1996

The meeting was called to order by Vivianne G. Marcotte, Chairperson, at 7:05 p.m. Also in attendance were Dan Gangai, Bonnie Thimble, Peter Tilton, Jr. and David Weber. Alternates attending were Ellen Goethel, sitting in for Alberta True, Peter Kowalski, sitting in for Betty Callanan.

The Minutes of July 23, 1996 were reviewed and approved with a few spelling errors correct. Mr. Weber motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Thimble. All in favor.

Wetlands Permit Applications:

Frances James  
28 NorEast Lane

A site walk was conducted. After reviewing this proposal, the Commissioners found that this addition on concrete piers would in no way negatively impact the area.

Mr. Weber motioned not to oppose the permit application, seconded by Ms. Thimble. All were in favor. A letter will be sent to the Wetland Bureau.

Hampton Beach Boardwalk (Expedited Application)

Peter Rice addressed the Commission regarding handicapped access ramp on the beach. A Needs Survey was done for handicapped accessibility. The best approach was thought to be concrete ramps on both sides of the Seashell joining eastward on the sand. A discussion ensued. Ms. Goethel motioned not to oppose this expedited application, seconded by Mr. Gangai. All in favor. Ms. Marcotte signed off on this application.

Mr. Neal Gallagher addressed the Commission. He has a proposed structure designed to be used as a temporary shelter for the growth of sea urchins. This site will be at the Hampton Beach State Park and Hampton River. This is a pilot aquaculture project to be conducted in a temporary building. The venture requires a supply of sea water which calls for a location close to a salt water body. The project involves the land based culture of the N.E. green sea urchins in tanks composed of plywood overlaid with fiber glass. Mr. Tilton motioned not to oppose this project, seconded by Mr. Kowalski. All in favor.

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Hampton conservation District Permit Application  
Oaks of Hampton Realty Trust  
Richard Green, Trustee

After walking the area and reviewing the proposed siting of the buildings on lots 3 & 4, the Commissioners felt that the developer had had ample opportunity to subdivide the land into conforming buildable lots in his original subdivision. The Commission feels they can now abide by the 50' buffer regulations as there is more than adequate upland outside the buffer in lot 3 for a house and there is also some available area in lot 4. Mr. Gangai motioned to oppose the permit application, seconded by Mr. Weber. All in favor. A letter will be sent to the Planning Board.

Planning Board Referral:

Joseph & Laura Regis  
8 North Shore Rd.

After walking this lovely wooded area and reviewing the proposal, the Commission had no concerns regarding this subdivision because there are no wetlands and all zoning requirements have been met for the Aquifer Protection District. A letter will be sent to the Planning Board.

Mr. Charles Hayden, from the Sun Valley Association, addressed the Commission. His concern was that the Conservation Commission was causing a delay in the permitting process. Ms. Marcotte stated that the Conservation Commission would like to go on record assuring Mr. Hayden that the Commission has no wish to delay the sewerage project of Sun Valley and the original intent was to try to expedite the permitting process by requesting an immediate study of the impacted area to confirm Commissioners' suspicions that there are no longer any endangered species throughout the impacted area. The Commission is strictly an Advisory Board and it is now in the hands of the Wetlands Bureau.

Wetlands Board Actions:

Theresa O'Connor - received permit  
Beachview Realty - received permit  
Northern Utilities - received permit  
Riverwalk - mitigation monitoring

Old & New Business:

Ms. Marcotte gave an overview of the meeting she attended in Concord, Environmental Services, and brought back information. There is no more Wetland Board. There was always a Wetland Bureau. Frank Richardson was assigned to the Seacoast Region. ~~There is no an Appeal Council.~~

Ms. Marcotte reviewed phone calls she received throughout the month.

George Coburn addressed the Commission regarding Besman Development. He wanted to know how to get it recorded. Mr. Coburn was instructed to contact the Planning Board.

James House Association:

The Conservation Commission reviewed the proposed site plan use of the Campbell property. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) of Conservation Commission funds helped to obtain it for the Town and that the Town Meeting voted to purchase the property for conservation and recreational use. Although the Commission feels that it is a good balance between conservation and recreational use, we have grave reservations about children playing in close proximity to these high voltage lines from Seabrook Station. Before further Town funds are expended to develop this area, a public informational meeting should be held to bring forth these concerns.

Projects Reports

Ms. Thimble reported on the Victory Garden. She is attempting to contact Mrs. Robidas regarding dedication of one of the gardens. Vegetables from this garden are being donated to the Salvation Army. In the Fall, the vegetables will be donated between the Salvation Army and the Soup Kitchen.

Mr. Weber gave an update on the bird houses.

Mr. Gangai gave an update on the Seminar on Lawn Care. He also stated he spoke to Mr. Noyes regarding re-cycling.

Correspondence:

Ms. Marcotte reviewed the correspondence for the month.

Treasurer's Report:

Ms. Launi stated there was \$13,993.24 in the Conservation Account.

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The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Selectmen's Room. The site walk will be on Monday, September 23rd at 6:00 p.m. meeting at the Town Parking Lot.

Mr. Tilton motioned to adjourn at 10:25 p.m., seconded by Mr. Weber. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Launi  
Secretary