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Wetlands Protection Committee Minutes 3/17/2016

Town of Wellesley
Wetlands Protection Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2016

Approved 4/7/2016

Meeting Location: NRC Office, Lower Level, Town Hall
525 Washington Street
Wellesley, MA 02482

Present: Bob Collins (chairman), Carl Sciple, Pete Jones, Richard Howell, and Linda Hansen (administrator)

Present: Ines and Ekkehard Kasper, Bennie Ber, Ryan Hutchins, Verne, Porter, Michael Peirce, Paul McManus, R. Milkin, Eugene Giller, Joseph Porter, Peter Sachs, Charmaine and Michael Hartnett, Bernard Hamill, Jay Berglund, Weilin Tu, Yi Wang, and Diane Simonelli

6:00 pm Administrative Business

- Personnel: discussion with wetland administrative candidate
- Approval of minutes:
 - a. The minutes for November 19, 2015. On a motion by C. Sciple, seconded by R. Howell, the Committee voted (3-0, 1 abstained) to approve the draft minutes.
 - b. The minutes for December 10, 2015. On a motion by C. Sciple, seconded by R. Howell, the Committee voted (4-0) to approve the draft minutes.
 - c. The minutes for January 7, 2016. On a motion by C. Sciple, seconded by R. Howell, the Committee voted (4-0) to approve the draft minutes with a minor date correction.
 - d. The minutes of January 28, 2015. On a motion by P. Jones, seconded by R. Howell, the Committee voted (4-0) to approve the minutes.
- Discussion: Wetlands Protection Bylaws regulations, schedule hearing. The Committee decided on April 13 at 7:30 as the date for a hearing to discuss the proposed Wetland Protection Regulations. The Committee would like to send out a draft to interested parties by April 1.
- COC request: TenAcre Country Day School, MassDEP # 324-0772. The letter from the engineer needs to be updated to include changes from permitted. The stormwater BMP is not included on the as-built, but can be included on the as-built plan for the most recent filing.
- COC Request: 99 Old Colony Road, MassDEP# 324-0766. The as-built plan shows four stormwater BMPs that are not as permitted, in addition to a change in the patio location and size, driveway location, etc. The applicant will need to submit a letter addressing the changes from permitted.
- COC Request: 8 Brookfield Circle, MassDEP# 324-743 A new patio instead of a

deck was added, and a bulk head was constructed. On the site visit, only four new trees were observed, and five were proposed. The as-built plan does not include the stormwater BMP, the mitigation areas, etc. The OOC does not include boundary markers, but they may be required to delineate the resource areas and mitigate the additional changes made.

- Enforcement Order: 23 Brookfield Road, removal of all mitigation vegetation along the bank of Boulder Brook, review existing OOC (DEP# 324-0725). The file does not show that the OOC or the COC were recorded. The Committee requested that the previous order be recorded. Since this order is still open (only a partial COC was issued), Mr. Collins suggested that this order be amended. Additional plantings, patio, etc. can be added to the amended order. The enforcement order was modified to reflect the open OOC, rather than require a new NOI. On a motion by P. Jones, seconded by C. Sciple, the Committee voted (4-0) to ratify the enforcement order.
- Site visit report: 77 Russell Road, MassDEP# 324-0729. The applicant will need to request a plan modification for the removal of an additional tree.
- Statement of Work: 10 Old Farm Road, MassDEP# 324-0814, review statement of work for wetlands confirmation, selection of consultants. On a motion by R. Howell, seconded by C. Sciple, the Committee voted to (4-0) to accept the statement of work. The administrator will send this out the statement of work to potential peer reviewers.

Public Hearings – New and Continued

78 Benvenue Street– continued NOI, Mass DEP #324-0818

The applicant proposes an addition and stormwater improvements within 100 foot buffer zone at Tenacre County Day School. The project still needs to go through Planning Board review. The town engineer has not reviewed the stormwater, but will do so under the site plan review process. On a motion by C. Sciple, seconded by P. Jones, the Committee voted (4-0) to close the hearing and issue an OOC.

109 Barton Road—amended OOC, Mass DEP# 324-0722

Supporting documents:

1. Letter requesting an amendment to the original OOC (issued May 17, 2016)
2. Plans: “Proposed Garage, Wellesley Housing Authority”, dated March 2, 2016

The applicant proposes to modify the original plan and move the garage to a location behind the administrative building and extend the driveway. The Committee reviewed the revised plans. The town engineer will need to review the stormwater management plans. The Committee does not see any alternatives to the location of the garage. The applicant would like a decision, contingent upon approval by the town engineer. On a motion by C. Sciple, seconded by P. Jones, the Committee voted to close the hearing and issue an amended OOC contingent upon approval by the town engineer of the stormwater system.

66 Woodside Avenue–continued NOI, MassDEP #324-0812

The WPC is awaiting plans from applicant and continue the hearing until April 7, 2016

25 Woodchester Road– contined NOI, Mass DEP #324-0819

The applicant proposes to install a retaining wall, remove three trees, regrade the yard area, and install perimeter plantings. The architect presented the plans to the Committee.

The trees in the buffer zone have already been removed. A retaining wall will be constructed with Interlock system. A two-to-one slope above the retaining wall will be stabilized with plantings; combination of trees and shrubs. The increase in impervious surface for the property is 829 sq. feet (all of which is outside the Buffer Zone). The owners will be obligated to remove the retaining wall if the DPW needs access to the drainage easement. The stormwater still needs to be managed and DPW will review and provide input on the type of system if needed. The planting plan will need to be reviewed by Cricket Vlass. The Committee requested that the plan include greater than 8-inch caliber trees on the down gradient side of the retaining wall. The concern by an abutter is the amount of fill placed behind the retaining wall and its potential impact on the tree roots. The fill is from a construction site in Newton. The hearing will be continued until April 7.

17 Colby Road– Continued NOI, Mass DEP #324-0820

The applicant proposes to demolish existing single family house and replace with a new single family house within the 100 foot wetland buffer and inner 100 foot riparian zone. A driveway trench drain and an additional Cultec chamber were added to mitigate stormwater. The configuration of the driveway requires the removal of the large pine tree and the applicant does not see any alternative to removing the tree. Additional mitigation plantings are proposed. The Committee is requesting additional information on the health and life expectancy of the large pine tree and the potential impact on the tree if the driveway is constructed around it. The hearing will be continued until April 7.

26 Pickerel Road– new Notice of Intent, Mass DEP #324-0821

Supporting Documents:

1. Notice of Intent and supporting documents (including runoff analysis), prepared by EcoTec, dated Feb. 29, 2015, stamped and received March 2, 2016.
2. Report by Kray Small, certified arborist, dated January 12, 2016.
3. Plan: “Existing Conditions Plan, 26 Pickerel Road (page 1 of 3)”, dated Feb. 15, 2016.
4. Plan: “Proposed Plan, 26 Pickerel Road (page 2 of 3)”, dated Feb. 15, 2016
5. Plan: “ Details, 26 Pickerel Road (page 3 of 3)”, dated Feb. 15, 2016.

Mr. Collins opened the public hearing. The applicant proposes to construct a new garage in the buffer zone and remove 12 trees within 100 feet of Moses Pond. Nine of the trees are considered in poor health (including a number of hemlocks) and two need to be removed for the project. Some additional roof runoff from the existing house will be captured by the proposed infiltration unit. The WPC’s concern is a larger volume of roof runoff will be concentrated in one area. The applicant is interested in feedback from the Committee regarding a mitigation planting plan. The Committee suggested shrub plantings to improve the habitat value and restore the edge of the lake. The maintenance of the pavers will need to be conditioned in the OOC. The hearing will be continued until April 7.

11 Pickerel Road– new Notice of Intent, Mass DEP #324-0822

Supporting Documents:

1. Notice of Intent and supporting documents (including stormwater report), prepared by EcoTec, dated March 2, 2016, stamped and received on March 2, 2016.
2. Plan: “Topographic Site Plan, Wellesley, MA” showing proposed conditions at

- 11 Pickerel Road, dated March 1, 2016, stamped and received on March 2, 2016.
3. Plan: "Detail Sheet, Wellesley, MA", dated March 1, 2016, received on March 2, 2106.

Mr. Collins opened the public hearing. The applicant proposes to demolish existing single family house and construct a new house with a dock on Moses Pond. The stormwater BMP will include a trench drain at the base of the driveway connected to a dry well, and an infiltration system under the driveway. A waiver request was submitted for the walkway and dock. The Committee will request a general cleanup of the bank and 25 foot no disturb area. Half of the roof runoff and the driveway will be captured by the infiltration system. The rear roof will be discharged to the lawn. The Committee asked for a splash block to disperse the energy. Stockpile areas will need to be indicated on the plan. The manufacture specs for the dock will need to be submitted. An operation and maintenance plan for the stormwater system will need to be included in the filing. The Committee would like to see the trees on the adjacent lots included on the site plan and have them included in the tree protection plan. The hearing will be continued until April 7.

73 Benvenue St. – new Notice of Intent, Mass DEP #324-0823

Supporting documents:

1. Notice of Intent and supporting documentation, prepared by H-Star Engineering, dated Feb. 26, 2016, stamped received by the NRC on March 2, 2016.
2. Stormwater report prepared by H-Star Engineering, dated Feb. 29, 2016.
3. Plan: "Site Plan, 73 Benvenue Street, Wellesley, MA", prepared for Weilin Tu, prepared by H-Star Engineering, dated Feb. 29, 2016.

Mr. Collins opened the public hearing. The applicant proposes to demolish existing single family house and construct a new house within 100 feet of bordering vegetated wetland. The new house is effectively on the existing foundation. The pool drainage will be conditioned in the OOC to avoid draining it into the wetland resource area. The Cultec chambers are designed to capture the roof runoff only. The soil stockpile will be located outside the 100 foot buffer zone. The deck is smaller than the existing. The arborist identified six trees to be removed. The Committee requested that hay bales not be used for erosion control. The administrator will draft an Exhibit A for the Committee and applicant to review. The hearing was continued until April 7.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:07 On a motion by P. Jones, seconded by R. Howell, the Committee voted (4-0) to adjourn the meeting.