

Town of Hanover Conservation Commission

Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover St.
2nd Floor Meeting Room

MINUTES for May 16, 2018

Approved 6-13-2018



Those Members and Staff present: Lisa Satterwhite- Vice Chair, Frank Brierley- Hearing Officer, Commission Members Robert Sennett and James Vaille, Assoc. Member Duke Magoun, Conservation Agent Sandra MacFarlane

Not present: Brian McLoone- Chairman

Others: as per Sign-In sheet

6:30 PM

Acting Chair Satterwhite opened the meeting, made the following announcements and asked the Commission to set the Summer Meeting Schedule as follows:

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. Next Meetings will be scheduled for June 13, July 18, August 15, 2018. Additional meetings will be posted if necessary.
2. One Associate Member position on the Conservation Commission is available. Volunteer applications are available at the Selectmen's Office or online at the link:
http://www.hanover-ma.gov/sites/hanoverma/files/file/file/fy_14_talent_bank_application.pdf
3. A Member or Member's designee needed as voting member on Community Preservation Comm.

II. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Certificates of Compliance (COC)
 - a. **SE 31-1141, BL 16-67, 1877 Washington St.-** Upon a motion and second made by Members Brierley and Sennett, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue the COC.
 - b. **SE 31-1124, BL 16-09, 27 Bonney Ln.-** Upon a motion and second made by Members Brierley and Sennett, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue the COC. -
 - c. **SE 31-1101, BL 15-03, 342 Circuit St.-** No action taken pending response from property owner regarding on-going non-compliance issues at the site.

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. **283 Columbia Rd., BL 18-23-** RDA- *for redevelopment project, SWM and parking lot upgrades in BZ to IVW*

PRESENT: James Burke, PE, DeCelle-Burke-Sala Assoc., Inc., Scott Golding, DTM- Applicant's Representatives

DISCUSSION: Mr. Burke presented a plan dated 4/6/18 detailing a redevelopment project including the demolition of an existing building and the construction of a 25,000+ sf commercial building with parking lot and stormwater management system (SMS) improvements. He pointed out that activities proposed within the 100 ft. buffer to an on-site Isolated Vegetated Wetland (IVW) included entrance upgrades from Columbia Rd., demolition of two (2) sheds, and a limited portion of the parking lot and SMS upgrades. The Conservation Agent confirmed that the IVW is approximately 1,221 sf and is somewhat contained within an old concrete foundation. Further that the buffer is previously disturbed with degraded parking lot up to the edge of the IVW. She added that DEP has been on site and approved soils and ground water testing. Mr. Burke added that the SWPPP (Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan) as part of the NPDES¹ permit, has been submitted and that a new commercial septic system was designed greater than 100 ft. from the IVW. A brief discussion ensued regarding the recent submission of the Environmental Notification Form and that although the site was within an area of outstanding water resources (.15 miles to the North River), the proposed design did not result in any negative impacts. Mr. Burke confirmed that all other required State and local permits were either issued or in process.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Members Sennett and Brierley, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue a Negative #3 Determination of Applicability (*submission of an NOI is not required*).

¹ NPDES- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Chairman's Report as Liaison to the Board of Selectmen- *if applicable-* N/A
2. Agent's Report- Reviewed without comment.

- ✦ Cross St. parcel- Information on the acquisition of this possible Open Space parcel is still pending.
- ✦ Hanover Mall- PREP Property Group has not re-scheduled the informational meeting for the public regarding the proposed multi-family apartment development at the Mall as of yet.
- ✦ Tree Warden cooperation- I continue to work with the Tree Warden on felled and storm damaged trees in both residential and commercial properties. Although DEP's Emergency Regs for storm cleanup ended on May 2nd, issues still arise and with the cooperation of DPW, all issues have been successfully resolved.
- ✦ South Shore Vocational Tech. School- I met with the Supt. and Facilities Mgr. on site several times to coordinate an educational approach to the stormwater issues on this site. It was suggested that I meet with the Science and Horticultural Dept. Heads to help establish a for-credit class that will include designing and engineered plan creation for the restoration of the wetlands, stream, and associated buffer zones on this property. SS Voc will arrange for this meeting. In addition, there is a tentative plan for including a walking bridge over the easterly stream to access buffer and upland to create a park-like area just off the parking lot. I'm excited about this project as it is a great opportunity to not only get a problem area upgraded, but to also provide education.
- ✦ 212 Brook Circle- After several attempts by the USPO to deliver the initial Violation letter to the property owner, it was returned to our Office as not accepted by owner. In addition, after several attempts by the USPO to deliver the Enforcement Order to the property owner, it too has been returned to us. Both were noted with "Unclaimed".
- ✦ 176 Myrtle St.- A post permit site inspection at this property found the erosion control materials properly installed and the project on track.
- ✦ 1877 Washington St.- After a series of recent site inspections at this site regarding the Order of Conditions for restoration work near the rear detention basin, this project has been completed.
- ✦ Cardinal Cushing- A site inspection resulted in the issuance of a Minor Activities Permit for test pits at this site.
- ✦ 54 Old Shipyard Ln- A site inspection was conducted at this site as a result of a complaint of cutting w/i the Riverfront Area. It was found that although a North River Commission permit was obtained by the property owner for removal of invasive species, the owner misunderstood the necessity of a Conservation Commission permit. The work that was conducted actually falls under the existing permit issued for a proposed house, which although the lot was sold, is still in effect. In order to fully rectify the situation, a Minor Activities permit was issued.
- ✦ 347 Broadway- A site inspection was conducted at this site as a result of a complaint of cutting w/i a resource area. As a result it was found that all trees cut were still on site and were clearly storm damaged. Historic mowing up to the edge of BVW was observed and upon speaking to the owner, we discussed the proper care of such a parcel in regarding protection of wetlands.
- ✦ Merchant's Row- A post permit site inspection was conducted at this site with the Acting Town Planner to review erosion control conditions and location. All was in order.
- ✦ Read Dr. and Candlewood Ln.- A site inspection was conducted as a result of a complaint of dumping yard waste in the wetlands. Several resource areas exist along these roads on vacant lots, in between lots and at the rear of most of the lots. I spoke to two residents who were working within wetlands to educate them. I also sent "Don't trash the Grass" letters to all residents on both roads.

3. Minutes- 4/18/18- Upon a motion and second made by Members Brierley and Vaille, it was voted 4-0-0 to approve the minutes.
4. Minor Activities Permits/Events/Other- Reviewed without comment.
 - a. **BL 18-19, South Shore Voc. Tech. School**- *stormwater and site maintenance check*
 - b. **BL 18-22, Rinnear Conservation Parcel inspection**- *for hazardous downed tree inspection*
 - c. **BL 18-24², 1464 Hanover St.** Minor Acts Permit- *for pre-septic upgrade test pits in BZ to BVW*
 - d. **BL 18-26, Luddams Ford Park Event**-*for 5/18- 5/19/18 Scout event- BBQ, Laser Tag, campout*
 - e. **BL 18-27, 369-405 Washington St.** Minor Acts Permit- *for test pits in BZ to BVW*
 - f. **BL 18-28, 34 Broadway**- *for wetland/invasives review, removal of storm damaged trees*
 - g. **BL 18-29, 262 Webster St.**- Minor Acts Permit- *for above ground pool in BZ to BVW w/ no exc.*
 - h. **BL 18-30, Read Dr./Candlewood**- *for stormwater/wetland review*
 - i. **BL 18-31, Target Complex**- *for stormwater/wetland review*
5. Correspondence- Reviewed without comment.
6. Other- *Those items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair within 48 hours of the meeting-*
 - a. **BL 16-66, SE 31-1440, 760 Main St.- COC request**
The Agent explained that the request, submitted earlier in the day, lists a closing at the PC Registry of Deeds this week. Due to the date of the next scheduled meeting- July 18, and in lieu of calling an additional meeting, the Commission agrees to accommodate this resident and take the item under consideration. The Agent confirmed the results of her site inspection noting that all conditions have been met as of installation of the conservation markers by the property owner this afternoon.
Upon a motion and second made by Members Sennett and Vaille, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue the Certificate of Compliance.

8:00 PM-

Upon a motion and 2nd made by Members Sennett and Vaille, it was voted 4-0-0 to adjourn.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by
Sandra D. MacFarlane, DMI- Conservation Agent
Conservation Office

Documents provided at the meeting:

- 5/16/18 Agenda
- COC request packets as listed in II.1. above
- RDA application packet for 283 Columbia Rd.
- 5/16/18 Agent's Report
- Minor Acts, Event and other permits as listed in IV.4.
- COC request packet for 760 Main St.
- 4/18/18 draft minutes

² BL 18-25: # = admin. use