

Town of Hanover Conservation Commission

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

MINUTES for September 16, 2015

Approved 10/21/15

Those Members and Staff Present: Chairman Lou Paradis, Hearing Officer Frank Brierley (arrived at 6:53 PM), Commissioner Brian McLoone, Commissioner William Woodward, Associate Member Justin Shepard, Conservation Agent Amy Walkey, Ass't Conservation Agent Sandra MacFarlane

Those not present: Vice Chair Lisa Satterwhite

Others: as per attached list

6:30 PM Chair Paradis opened the meeting and made the following announcements:

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. Next Scheduled Meetings- October 7 and 21, 2015, 2nd Flr Mtg. Room @ 6:30 pm
2. Any person audio or videotaping this hearing must notify the Chairman at this time.

II. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Certificates of Compliance:
 - a. **1877 Washington St.-** SE 31-1056, BL 12-44- No action taken.
 - b. **32 Old Bridge Rd-** SE 31-1044, BL 12-14
VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners McLoone and Woodward, it was voted 3-0-0 to issue a Certificate of Compliance.

Commissioner Brierley arrived at 6:53 PM.

7:00 PM

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. **BL 15-33, Fireworks Site-** RDA- *for re-baseline characterization sampling*

PRESENT: Peter Dillon, PE, and Ron Marnicio, PE, Tetra Tech- Applicant's Representative

DISCUSSION: Mr. Dillon gave a brief history of the site noting areas where the manufacture and testing of munitions and fireworks took place in the past. He noted that a three-phased process is proposed- identification, characterization, and remediation. He explained that Phase II sampling was conducted under a series of Negative Determinations of Applicability, the most recent having been issued in 2008. In response to the Commission's concerns for the necessity and costs of additional testing, Mr. Dillon explained that with increased storm events, including flooding in 2010, a new baseline and re-characterization of the soils and sediments is required; that the location of contaminants, including mercury and lead, may have shifted downstream, leaving some areas upstream that may not need remediation and downstream sections that may have become contaminated.

Concerning testing areas, Mr. Dillon presented plans which detailed over 150 sampling sites along the Eastern Corridor of the Drinkwater, Lower Drinkwater, and Indian Head Rivers, and Lily Pond, as well as outer marsh areas. Also that the Ski Shop in Hanson has granted permission for access behind their shop.

Mr. Dillon and Mr. Marnicio explained the methodology within each area of sampling, including the use of vibracore equipment from small boats.

In response to the Commissions questions concerning time frames, Mr. Dillon stated that 20 days of sampling is anticipated with a five week completion date, dependent on weather conditions.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Woodward and McLoone, it was voted 4-0-0 to close the hearing and issue a Negative 2 and 3 Determination of Applicability.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Agent's Report – The Agent updated the Commission on the following items:

- Lenore White, PWS, Wetland Strategies, was hired as the Environmental Monitor for the Sconset Village project- *formerly known as Village at 7 Springs*. Concerns regarding erosion control resulted in an increase to the materials as necessary throughout the duration of construction. Construction phases proposed include 1) stormwater structures, 2) the clubhouse, 3) and 2 residential units with 1 & 2 Bedrooms- holding off on remaining buildings due to market fluctuation. She noted that Thomas Jordan, PE, will continue with the Wastewater Treatment Plant project; a mid-phase As-Built will be submitted to update the Commission on their progress.
- Steve Ivas, PWS, Ivas Environmental, has been hired as the Environmental Monitor for the Webster Village project, which is currently working on final grades at the site.

2. Minor Acts Permits: none

3. Minutes- 9/2/15- This item was taken out of order at 6:40 PM.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Woodward and Shepard, it was voted 3-0-1 to approve the minutes (Comm. Shepard stepped in to vote on the minutes, as he was in a full membership position at the 9/2/15 meeting, and Chair Paradis abstained).

4. Correspondence- Reviewed without comment.

5. Other: *Those items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair within 48 hours of the meeting.* None

