



**Waltham Conservation Commission
November 2, 2017
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Attendees: Chairman Bill Doyle, Vice Chairman Philip Moser, Brad Baker, Gerard Dufromont, Mike Donovan (arrived at 7:07 p.m.)

Absent: None

Public Hearing (Continued from 10-19-2017)

Notice of Intent (DEP File # 316-0731. Comments: Under review.)

Applicant: Rosemary Maynes

Property Location: 201 Mokema Avenue

Project Description: Basement waterproofing

Mr. Dufromont stated that the commission decided at the last meeting to approve the project, but were waiting for DEP's file number to be assigned. Mr. Doyle stated that if any significant comments come back from DEP that would change the project as it is currently proposed, the commission would expect the applicant to come back with a minor revision.

Motion made by Mr. Moser to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Dufromont. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Motion made by Mr. Moser to issue a positive Order of Conditions, seconded by Mr. Dufromont. All in favor.

Motion passed.

Public Meeting (Continued from 10-19-2017)

Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP File # 316-0581)

Applicant: Kevin Duffy for Duffy Bros. Construction Co., Inc. (Duffy Associates, LLC)

Property Location: 411 Waverley Oaks Road

Mr. Doyle stated that the commission has discussed this and they are okay with issuing a Certificate of Compliance if the plantings were installed as designed. Mr. Moser did a site visit and counted 23 small specimens of small trees/shrubs and compared them to the plan, which indicated 22. He was happy with the work that was done. Mr. Baker asked if the commission has any requirement in relation to the size that is planted. Mr. Doyle replied that if it's mentioned in the process, then the commission has a say. Typically, it is case-by-case.

Motion made by Mr. Moser to issue a Certificate of Compliance, seconded by Mr. Baker. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Public Meeting (Continued from 10-19-2017)

Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP File # 316-0689)

Applicant: Robert Farrington/Windsor Village at Waltham Co.

Property Location: 976 Lexington Street

Mr. Moser will compose a letter to the applicant. Mr. Doyle will stop by to take a look at the erosion controls.

Motion made by Mr. Moser to continue until the next meeting, seconded by Mr. Donovan. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Commission Business

- Motion made by Mr. Moser to approve the meeting minutes from 10-19-2017, seconded by Mr. Baker. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

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Correspondence

- **Coleman-Stanton Property:** Mr. Doyle commented that the commission received a resolution from the City Council re: the possible location of the new high school to utilize the adjacent property to the existing school. The property is currently known as the Coleman-Stanton property. Mr. Dufromont feels that someone from the School Committee and City Council need to come before the Conservation Commission. Mr. Doyle feels the commission is not in the position to give their professional opinion for something they may be ruling on. But the commission should point them in the right direction of what the process would be to get those answers. Mr. Dufromont would like someone from City Council, the mayor's office or School Committee to come to the commission to ask them about the property. At this time, the commission is unaware of any restrictions put on this property when it was purchased. Mr. Moser would like to have them be put on a future agenda for an Informal Discussion. Mr. Donovan would like the commission to acknowledge that they received their letter.

Old Business

Mr. Doyle

- No updates

Mr. Baker

- No updates

Mr. Dufromont

- No updates

Mr. Moser

- No updates

Mr. Donovan

- **Totten Pond Road Project:** Mr. Donovan noted that city engineer, Ian McKenzie, is waiting for new survey equipment, then he will finish up the site survey. Mr. McKenzie also has notes from when they did the work which he will use to finish up the as-built.

Committee Reports

- **CPC:** No updates
- **Trust Fund:** Mr. Dufromont will not look into this again until after the (municipal) election. This is money the commission has in two accounts that is restricted. He is trying to get the program changed to give the commission a little more flexibility to use the money where the commission sees fit with the City Council's approval.

Site visit reports

- **20 Cooper Street:** Mr. Baker asked if the commission should check out the trees (where the fire was) along the river. Mr. Dufromont replied that there was an inspection. Mr. Donovan asked if anyone has been to the property to make sure the erosion controls are still in tact. Mr. Dufromont replied that he was there three weeks ago and the erosion controls have been doubled up. Mr. Doyle noted that people have been saying that all of the trees along the river have been cut down. He stated that the trees haven't been touched nor did the fire burn any of them. He confirmed this with Mr. Dufromont.

New Business

- **68 Hiawatha:** Mr. Moser requested a site visit. He noted that the project started over two years ago and it's been delayed for a number of reasons. There is construction activity happening there after a long period of inactivity. He has recused himself from the project, but would like someone from the commission to stop by to ensure that the erosion controls are still in place. Mr. Dufromont agreed to do so.

Motion made by Mr. Moser to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Dufromont. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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