



**Waltham Conservation Commission
December 1, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting took place via public Zoom call with participation information posted at City Hall, Government Center, and on the Commission's page of the City web site. Zoom information was circulated directly to all applicants and others on the public agenda.

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM.

Attendees: Chair Philip Moser, Vice Chair Bill Doyle, Gerard Dufromont, Michael Donovan, Bradley Baker, Louis Andrews.

Absent: Alexander Sbordone.

Public Hearing

Notice of Intent (DEP File # 316-0812) (Continued from 11-17-2022)

Applicant: Keir Evans – 1265 Main Street LLC C/O Boston Properties

Property Location: 1265 Main Street

Project Description: Development at 1265 Main Street. Phase I consists of lab/office space building, two amenity buildings, surface parking, access drives, utility improvements, landscape/pedestrian improvements, and site preparation for anticipated future development.

Mr. Moser has recused on this application. Mr. Donovan assumed the chair.

Applicant has requested a continuance at Cambridge Water Department's request to allow CWD time to complete their review. Mr. Evans presented a brief update. There are two issues to resolve with CWD and MA DEP: proposed BMPs in Zone A and impacts of the proposed new road in the buffer zone. Applicant has prepared additional material for CWD, which was summarized. The commission was satisfied with this update. Mr. Doyle requested that the new material and correspondence with CWD be forwarded to Waltham ConCom for the file.

Motion to continue by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Dufromont. **Motion passed.**

Mr. Moser returned as chair.

Commission Business

- Approval of meeting minutes from 11-17-2022. Motion to approve by Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Dufromont. All present in favor. **Motion passed.**
- Storer Conservation Land Encroachment. No update. Mr. Moser asked that this be removed as a standing agenda item, to be discussed when there are updates. There were no objections.

Correspondence

- Discussion of Azalea Road update from the Engineering Department. The commission is satisfied with recent decisions and actions.
- Discussion of makeshift dam-building report in Beaver Brook Reservation. This appears to be a past issue, not current. Waltham ConCom does not see a reason to get involved. The issue is entirely on DCR property and DCR is aware.
- Update on DCR request to modify issued conditions (316-0813). This can probably be accomplished administratively within regulations. The Commission may need to vote on modifications at an upcoming meeting. Mr. Moser asked that Waltham's standard special conditions be posted on the web site and given to applicants for review prior to issue. It was also noted that DEP might be appealing this project, to be determined within the next few days.

Old Business

- Invasive management training (Mr. Baker). The location Mr. Baker planned to use will not be available. Looking for a new location.

Site Visit Reports

- Mr. Donovan will be meeting with Rec. Dept. staff next week regarding cutting the 4 or 5 Ailanthus at the Paine Estate. He expects this to be a simple job, as the trees can be dropped in place and left.

Committee Reports

- **CPC:** Recent meeting November 22. Mr. Doyle noted a new application for windows at the Winchester Crane apartments. Annual state matching funds were received and allocated. Next meeting will be February 21, 2023.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Baker. All present in favor. **Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 PM.