



**Waltham Conservation Commission
October 24, 2019
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Chair Philip Moser Vice Chair Bill Doyle, Courtney Semlow, Brad Baker, Mike Donovan

Absent: Gerard Dufromont

Mr. Moser will be attending late. Mr. Doyle is serving as chair until Mr. Moser arrives.

Public Meeting (Continued from 10-10-2019)

Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP File # 316-0394)

Applicant: James A. Scanlon

Property Location: 62 Totten Pond Road, Lot 2

Attorney James Scanlon is representing the Applicant to request Partial Certificate of Compliance for Lot 2 at 62 Totten Pond Road. A site visit was held on Tuesday, October 22 and Mr. Doyle attended. The site appears to be constructed as designed.

Motion made by Mr. Donovan to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for the entire site, seconded by Mr. Baker. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Public Meeting

Request for Determination of Applicability

Applicant: Joshua and Shelli Waetzig

Property Location: 30 Livermore Road

Project Description: Raise existing structure up one story for additional living space.

The homeowner approached the board to request a determination to add a second floor to existing living space.

No questions or comments from the Commission.

Motion made by Ms. Semlow to issue a negative determination, seconded by Mr. Donovan. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Mr. Moser arrived at the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Public Hearing

Request for Amended Order of Conditions (DEP File # 316-0761)

Applicant: 404 Wyman LLC

Property Location: 404 Wyman Street

Project Description: Installation of a new sewer line.

Mr. White represented the Applicant. The Commission had issued an Order of Conditions at a previous meeting and the Mass DEP intervened asking that the Commission revise the Order of Conditions to include some additional detail.

The Applicant is seeking an amended Order of Conditions to include the recommended changes from Mass DEP and change from a natural gas generator to a diesel generator.

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

Motion to approve changes to the Order of Conditions and revised plans, as well as make a change to the generator to go from a natural gas generator to a diesel generator. A condition will be added to the Special Order of Conditions to require the Applicant to notify the DEP about the change to the generator. Seconded by Mr. Baker. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Mr. Moser is now chairing the meeting.

Public Meeting

Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP File # 316-0696)

Applicant: John Noone/Lincoln Cooper Street LLC

Property Location: 20 Cooper Street, 135 Elm Street, DCR Charles River Reservation

Paul Finger represented the Applicant. Completed Phase 1 and Phase 2 is internal. The tenant is close to occupancy and need a Certificate of Compliance to close out the existing Order of Conditions. The as-built plans have been submitted.

This project made a complete restoration of the riverfront area. There's an agreement with DCR for the site to continue to maintain that area and will be developed as a canoe/kayak launch area.

Conversation ensued about maintaining the area.

The Commission has been working closely with this project, therefore, there is no need for a site visit.

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

Informal Discussion

Ann Clifford, curator of the Paine Estate, presented on the newly developed Historical Documentation for the Paine Estate. Purpose of the presentation was to inform the Commission that this resource is available.

This information could be used to inform the application to develop the land management plan for the upcoming CPC application.

Commission Business

- **Approval of meeting minutes from 10-10-2019:** Motion made by Mr. Baker to approve the meeting minutes from 10-10-2019, seconded by Ms. Semlow. All in favor. **Motion passed.**
- **Potential uses for filing fees in administering the Wetlands Protection Act:** No updates.
- **Press release ideas:** Mr. Baker will be conducting a control invasives training for the Commission members to teach the Commission members how to remove bittersweet at Mt. Feake Cemetery.
- **Enforcement orders:**
 - 152-OPP 162-OPP Lakeview Ave: Resident cut down the vegetation on this property and we requested they create a **restoration plan**. Motion by Mr. Doyle to issue an enforcement order, seconded by Mr. Donovan.
 - 74 Hardy Pond Road: Resident had her yard landscaped and added fill was added. Motion to issue an enforcement order made by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Donovan. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Motion to table Enforcement orders until later in the meeting made by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Baker. All in favor. **Motion passed.**

Correspondence

- **380 Lexington Street:** An appeal was filed by Paul Finger who is representing the neighbor and all work has stopped until the appeal has been resolved. A site visit is scheduled for November 13 with DEP.
- **554 Lexington Street:** An enforcement order has been issued to clean up the test area and test the soil at various test pits. See memo from SMMA for action from WCC.

Old Business

Mr. Moser

- No updates.

Mr. Doyle

- No updates.

Mr. Baker

- No updates.

Mr. Dufromont

- No updates.

Mr. Donovan

- No updates.

Ms. Semlow

- No updates.

Committee Reports

- **CPC: The Committee** voted on two items at the last meeting. First, the purchase of the Field Station on Beaver Street. They recommended the use of \$14M of CPC funds be used for the Mayor to purchase this property. Second, they recommended that \$1.4M be used for two housing buildings to receive new roofs.
- **Trust Fund:** No updates.

Site visit reports

- **554 Lexington Street:** Mr. Doyle attended a site visit at the site of the Enforcement Order that was issued at 554 Lexington Street. Instead of removing all of the debris pile, the testers realized that it was best to create test pits and sample the soil because the debris goes down as far as 8 feet. The Commission is going to wait for the report from SMMA before making a statement.

New Business

- An Applicant contacted the Conservation Commission to ask if a project near wetlands needs to file for approval. It was decided by the Commission that if someone contacts that office, they should file an RDA for the Commission will be able to ask questions from the Applicant.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.