

Plympton Conservation Commission
Minutes of Open Virtual Meeting – April 20, 2021
Held over Zoom Conference Call: zoom.us/j/8802901353
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Meeting ID: 880 290 1353
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Present: Board Members, Rick Burnet, Amy Cronin, Linda Leddy and Mike Matern; and Conservation Agent, Brian Vasa

Guests: Brian Madden (Ring Road)

Mark Derby; 47 Mayflower Road abutters Kevin Fallis and Colleen Dahlen; Scott Fanara from Grady Consulting (47 Mayflower Road).

1. Call to Order. Mr. Burnet called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and the suggested statement was read that was prepared by KP Law:

“Pursuant to Governor Baker’s March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor’s March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Plympton Conservation Commission is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order.”

2. Modifications - 0 Ring Road – both Dual-Use Solar Wetlands Protection Bylaw Regulations revisions (Dunham and Correira properties). There were updates based on the Planning Board review to satisfy bioretention purposes. These updates were as a result of 3rd party reviewer, John Chessia’s report. Mr. Madden asked how to handle the changes.

For the Dunham property, the transformer pads were moved (they were minimal intrusion into the 25' buffer zone). There is a bioretention area and all the pads are pitched towards the retention area (stormwater management improvement), and this is further from the buffer zone.

For the Correira property, the transformer pads were shifted away from the 200' riverfront buffer.

Since the changes appear to be improvements, the submitter was asked to provide final plans to the Commission and then a formal vote will be taken.

3. 399 Main Street Notice of Intent (NOI) Hearing Continuation – Ground-Mounted Solar Array (SE266-0208). The hearing is continued to May 4, 2021 at 6:41 pm.

4. 165 Palmer Road NOI Hearing – Two Light Manufacturing Buildings Construction. (SE266-0218). The hearing is continued to May 4, 2021 at 6:42 pm.

5. Hearing for Simplification of NOI Filing Fee Requirements and other editorial clarifications. The new fees with a revised date of 4/20/21 were discussed and approved unanimously with a roll call vote: Rick Burnet: Aye, Linda Leddy: Aye, Amy Cronin: Aye, Mike Matern: Aye.

6. Vendor Warrants. The following warrants were approved: The Compact of Cape Cod Land Trust (\$1500 split with Open Space); Express Newspapers (4 ads at \$42 each) and John Chessia for \$520 for 165 Palmer Road.

7. Flood Plan. The town was asked through the Town Administrator if we want a special stormwater bylaw. John Chessia was asked his opinion, and he said some larger towns have it, and at least a checklist would be good. We want reviewers to understand what our criteria is, and that would be a good reason to have one. At this time, it will not be pursued.

8. Building Permits. None

9. Maple Street Possible Violations. There were zoning questions about the number of service vehicles at 57 Maple Street (Abdu Nessralla), as well as potential wetlands violations (into the tax title parcel), and a new dirt driveway that appears to be within 50' of the wetlands. A cease and desist letter will be sent, with a request to appear before the commission.

9. Parking Lot issues. An inventory of the vernal pools in town will be created; add the last few years of annual reports to the website.

10. Minutes. The minutes from the April 6, 2021 meeting were approved as amended.

11. Next Meetings. The next meetings will be held on May 4th and May 18th at 6:30 pm. The typical meetings schedule (1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month) is subject to be modified, and will be posted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm by a motion from Ms. Leddy and seconded by Mr. Matern with unanimous approval with a roll call vote: Rick Burnet: Aye, Linda Leddy: Aye, Amy Cronin: Aye, Mike Matern: Aye.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by Amy Cronin