

Plympton Conservation Commission
Minutes of Open Meeting – September 10, 2019

Present: Board Members: Rick Burnet, Amy Cronin, Ami Dion, Linda Leddy and Mike Matern and Marta Nover

Mr. Burnet called the meeting to order at 6:30

1. Correspondence.

Three invoices were received from Express Newspapers for ads
Application for a perc test for 0 Palmer from Scott Sauchuck
A check from Aggregate Industries was received; it's likely not for ConCom
An Old Colony agenda for the next meeting.
A public hearing notice for Carver Town Hall building a police station.
A copy of the notice sent to abutters for the Maple Street project was received.

New Business

2. Building Permits Received. None

3. 46 Oak Street Unauthorized Work. Rick Burnet received a call from a resident on Silver Lake that reported excavator work was being done on the beach. A friend of the owner was doing the clearing and was told to cease and desist. They were told that the owner of the lot should be coming in if they want to do any work.

4. 399 Main Street Solar application. Dean Smith of Borrego Solar dropped off a Notice of Intent (NOI). A check for \$900 was provided. Another check will be due based on square footage. Linda Leddy submitted a disclosure of appearance of conflict of interest form. The hearing will be held October 8 at 7:00. The site walkthrough will be scheduled after the hearing.

5. Warrant. A warrant was signed for advertising to Express Newspapers for the RFP for the selling of the lots. The bills are for \$546, \$414 and \$435. The Commission will be reimbursed by the Town.

Old Business

6. 54 Prospect Road RDA Hearing – Septic Repair. The hearing was advertised in the Plympton Halifax Express on 8/30/19 for a Request of Determination of Applicability (RDA). Deborah Folkard and Rick Servant appeared before the Commission. The project seeks to repair the system. They are proposing erosion control and a silt fence during the work. No clearing is anticipated because it is a lawn area. The plans were signed by a (PE) professional engineer and a PLS (professional land surveyor). The Commission notes that they are not approving the wetlands line. It was moved to issue a negative determination and the work is not subject to the wetlands act or the bylaw; that would include the erosion controls as shown in the plan. It's a positive determination that the Commission is not approving the boundary at this time. Ami Dion will write up the RDA to be signed during the next meeting.

7. 0 Maple Street NOI Hearing – House Construction. Representatives Nathaniel Stevens of McGregor & Legere Attorneys at Law and Dan Orwig appeared on behalf of owner Greg

Black. Commissioner Mike Matern recused himself. The abutters notices return cards were turned in and checked against the list. However, the list wasn't certified by the Assessor's Office. It was voted unanimously to delay the start of the hearing.

It was noted by Attorney Stevens that this application is based on a project design that was denied by the Commission in 2017. The applicants believe this design will have less impact on the wetlands. It appears the application is otherwise complete except for the lack of a certified abutter list. The Commission will need to decide if an amended request for the DEP portion is necessary. The start of the hearing will be on September 17th at 7:05.

8. 0 Main Street NOI Hearing – Ground-Mounted Solar Project. Pat Jackson of Sunraise, Evan Watson of Prime Engineering and David Santos of Prime Engineering appeared on behalf of owner, Larry Harju of Harju Brothers Cranberries. The prior ANRAD (abbreviated notice of resource area delineation). confirmed the wetlands resource areas. They are currently working with the Planning Board on screening and other items. The access road is existing, but they may propose to alter its location.

A third-party review of the project will need to be done of the NOI and their stormwater report. A site walkthrough was scheduled for Monday, September 16th at 8 am. The hearing will be continued on October 8 at 7:15.

9. 11 Maple Street Barn Construction. Commissioner Mike Matern did a walk-through of the site and noted that everything looks in order. The owner was notified that he can come in and get his certificate of compliance.

10. Final interviews for Conservation Agent. The second interview was completed as a public meeting. The Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the BOS that they offer the position to Brian Vasa.

11. Remaining Considerations (Parking Lot issues). The following are items on which the Commission still needs to act on or consider.

Letter Regarding Work Near Wetlands - Property on Rt. 58 near town line. There has been no response to the 2018 letter from the Conservation Commission to Amanda Monti reminding her that any work within 100' of the bordering vegetated wetlands (BVW) or 200' of a river must be first approved by the Commission. It was noted that clearing had been done, and the Commission requested a site walk to review the work.

Carey Auto Property. The Commission sent the Building Department a request on June 21, 2018 to determine if sandblasting is occurring, and if so, if it is permitted. Sandblasting is a concern from a wetlands perspective as well. No response yet.

Gazzola County Road DEP case. Need an update for this.

Minutes. The minutes from the August 20th meeting were reviewed and approved with amendments.

Next Meetings: The next meetings will be held September 17th and October 8th and 22nd at 6:30 pm. The October meetings were shifted to ensure a quorum. However, the meetings are typically held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm by a motion from Ms. Leddy and seconded by Mr. Matern, with unanimous approval.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by Amy Cronin