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**STONEHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday April 16, 2019
Hearing Room**

7 PM

7:04pm began

Attendance: Robert Fotino, Noman L'Esperance, Domenick Cimina, Megan Day, Ellen McBride, Bob Parsons, Alex Rozycki

May 7 2019 next meeting

PUBLIC HEARING:

DCR Fells Projects

Gillian Lay

Request for Determination of Applicability

Park supervisor. Replace bog bridges. Volunteer project. Closer to Woodland Rd. behind labor yard. Behind Greenwood Park. |Site visit Monday 22nd 6:30pm Greenwood Park.

DISCUSSION ONLY:

17 Greenway Circle

Claire O'Brien

Planted \$18,000 rain garden for wildlife. Drowning from Nottingham Way. Power point slideshow. Wall behind her, DPW says 3 storm drains to culvert. Not holding water. Pond tested, water is overcoming property. 44 Oak built up. Drainage swale correction by Alex Rozycki.

Ellen McBride asks if they have ever had this much water? Claire O'Brien responds that the water is not dispersing the way it used to. Would come to fence but not into her yard, it climbed towards 44 Oak. Now all filled in. Trash in the swale may be affecting it.

15 Greenway Circle resident affected by dewater. Maura Campbell MWRA pumped water on Oak St project on Nottingham. Called Fire Department and DPW. Spout went into storm drain.

Commission originally designed swale according to Claire O'Brien. Now because of changes resident needs guidance.

Bob Parsons talks about permitting plan for cul de sac. Swale would have been approved by Commission. We can reach out to Larry Brophy.

Domenick Cimina talks about where Nottingham drains.

3 entry points from Nottingham have water flowing.

Alex Rozycki wettest fall, catch basin on Nottingham swales need to be cleaned, and property nearby don't allow drainage. Town should clean swale.

DPW said Conservation needs to give permission for swale cleaning.

Bob Parsons says Conservation should contact DPW for next steps. Offer assistance to Larry Brophy. Bob Parsons will email Larry Brophy.

Rich Kirby report will have BVW that Claire O'Brien can send.

Ellen McBride says we need to talk to DPW about our jurisdiction.

11 South Marble

Adrian Pace

Excavator in side yard of wetlands. Conservation agent visited. Conservation Commission filed an enforcement order. Apologizes for English as new resident, and should have asked permission. No construction changes. Backyard changes. Engineers themselves so Paces drew plan.

Shows pictures of debris and sediment in culvert. Intention to put new pipes in with neighbor's permission. Trees falling. Pipe sag. Backyard is dry. 40 feet channel uncovered from other property, water stays in backyard. Wants to extend the outfall.

Ellen McBride said pipe in yard drains from Dike's Pond. This is a town pipe and drains underneath your property. Bob Grover may send information/plans for pipes.

Mr Pace said his insurance company asked him to do cleanup. When house purchased May 2014 backyard was the same.

Ellen McBride said pipe goes under Meadow to the Brook. Cameras need to be used to see damage, then it needs to be repaired. Resident needs to come before Commission to remove trees and invasives. Plant wetland species.

Alex Rozycki suggests site visit to determine if there is a culvert and we need to talk about unauthorized work and misunderstanding. Site visit April 22, 2019 7pm.

Excavator was brought there, no soil brought in. Intention to plant trees and grass. Alex Rozycki requests name of excavator.

Carole Martino comments that water high. Fish kill at Moseley sited by Ellen McBride.

27 Summit resident said debris needs to be cleaned twice per year.

Ocean River Institute

Rob Moir

Isobel Rownovski Wellsley intern. Modify yard care in town. Many striped bass in Boston harbor. Fish kill in ocean dead zone which created by algae blooming. Sunlight, warmer water, nutrients create fish kill. 2012 Falmouth found dead on shore fish, Falmouth passed bylaw on fertilizer. Slow release fertilizer. State has law preventing bylaws about fertilizers. Work with towns, example Arlington, to restrict amount of slow release fertilizer. Increase carbon capture to help with climate change. Please do not use Round Up. Alarming health effects, such as lymphoma, and hormone disruption. Round Up is also being found in waterways and our food. Use mulch, heat exposure instead of chemicals, and herbicidal alternatives. Post on Stoneham website and Facebook page. Tree lawn should not be fertilized. Ellen McBride recommends reaching out to MACC.

Summit Road/Jeff Buxton

Megan Day

23 Summit Rd- 2 warrant articles. 2 contractors in their neighborhood, assessors map 19. Building on the hill of Summit, 16 townhomes. Rockville 12 townhomes. Large amount of construction and above Dikes Pond. Mauriello Drive will be affected. Planning Board having site visit. One project will be within 100 feet of Dike's Pond. Zoning change to allow townhouses. Scope of project alarming. Invite Commission on April 27th 9am.

Henry Newcomb 25 Summit Rd. Pavement going to dump onto North Border Rd. A lot of water running down hill. Wetlands have not been flagged.

Goal to make project sustainable at Town Meeting.

Bob Parsons mentions peer review process, they will need to meet Stormwater standards. Meet pre and post development runoff. Will build in filtration systems.

Jim Albiott 27 Summit Rd hopes board can make site development so they can see building layout.

Neighborhood would like to see less foot traffic and less houses built. Large oak tree is worth protecting.

Ellen McPhail says Notice of Intent would need to be filed with 100 foot border. Tree if it is jurisdictional would not be removed. Tree is by Dikes Pond.

Chris Hansen 9 Mauriello asks if wetland will change. 25 foot no disturb, 100 foot jurisdictional.

Soil structure, plants and water make a wetland responds Alex R.

A wetland scientist can determine wetlands.

Joe Bayosik- Mauriello Drive- 5 is all wet. Bigger piece of property. Steep grade. Concrete drain. Overflows in wetlands across from MDC pool. Has never seen it overflow. Area where they plan to build is on top of damn.

Buttonwood Road abuts. Brook runs under Buttonwood. Up Summit for sewer pipes, want to pave.

Mason Gillespie 3 Mauriello Drive mentions April 29, 2019 Planning Board meeting.

Open Space and Recreation Plan Follow-up

Megan Day

7 year plan will be condensed for Conservation Commission. Plan completed.

Continued

Approve Meeting Minutes March 5, 2019, March 26, 2019

Motion to approve by Bob Parsons, seconded by Norm L'Esperance 7/0

Montvale Commons project called "The Vale" will be discussed and electronic copy available. Shouldn't affect Conservation, project is on western side of 93. Ellen McBride will write letter before May meeting. Discussed with Raymie Parker to encourage Select Board to ask for comments from Planning Board, Planner and any affected departments. Positive is Sweetwater Brook will be daylighted. 77 acres.

Motion to adjourn by Norman L'Esperance, Megan Day seconded. 7/0

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