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Freetown Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Monday, January 10, 2022
Held Remotely via Zoom.us

Present: Keven Desmarais, Charlie Sullivan, Chris Mather, Keith Mello, and Margaret French participated remotely via Zoom.

Absent: None

Call to Order: Keven Desmarais called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Note: As this meeting was conducted remotely, all votes taken were by roll call.

At this time, Mr. Desmarais advised anyone listening along that all plans, files, etc., to be reviewed would be available on the Town's website during the meeting. He then reviewed the public hearing process.

Continued Notice of Intent – 67 Chace Road
Continued Notice of Intent – Off Chipaway Road

The applicants have requested to be continued due to being in peer review.

A motion was made by Chris Mather, seconded by Charlie Sullivan, to continue the public hearings to February 7, 2022. The motion carries unanimously.

Continued Notice of Intent – 0 Rear and 5 Costa Drive

The applicant has requested to be continued due to being in peer review.

A motion was made by Charlie Sullivan, seconded by Chris Mather, to continue the public hearings to January 24, 2022. The motion carries unanimously.

Continued Notice of Intent – 43 Water Street

The applicant has requested to be continued due to being in peer review.

A motion was made by Charlie Sullivan, seconded by Chris Mather, to continue the public hearings to January 24, 2022. The motion carries unanimously.

Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation – 81 Middleboro Road

Robert Naser, of Garnett Properties, LLC, explained that they are filed this ANRAD to confirm the boundary to the wetlands. Mr. Desmarais stated that this is typically sent out for peer review in order to have a wetland scientist confirm the boundary.

A motion was made by Chris Mather, seconded by Keith Mello, to continue the public hearing to January 24, 2022. The motion carries unanimously.

Request for Determination of Applicability– 15 Point of Pines Road

Kerry Bennett, the applicant and owner, and David Dixon, of D.S. Dixon Builders, Inc. was present. Ms. Bennett explained that she would like to add a deck onto the house. Mr. Desmarais stated they would condition this to have siltation control.

A motion was made by Charlie Sullivan, seconded by Keith Mello, to issue a negative determination #3 with the condition that siltation control be installed and the Conservation Commission be contacted to inspect it. The motion carries unanimously.

Request for Extension of Order of Conditions – 13 Estelle Avenue

Mr. Desmarais explained that the applicant, Tom Luiz, has not finished the project yet which included grading and the installation of a septic system and is requesting a one-year extension.

A motion was made by Chris Mather, seconded by Charlie Sullivan, to issue a one-year extension of the Order of Conditions. The motion carries unanimously.

Continued Notice of Intent – Mill Brook Bogs Restoration Project

Alex Hackman, of Mass Division of Ecological Restoration, was present to discuss this restoration project. Mr. Hackman explained that the current plan set proposes different surface treatments to uncompact the dense agricultural fill layer. The methods being used might shift however the amount of disturbance should remain the same. Mr. Desmarais asked that oil spill kits appropriate for the size of the machines being used to be on site. Mr. Hackman replied that they will keep those spill kits on site. Mr. Desmarais stated that one of the conditions of approval will be to submit the final plan set and the Commission will determine if it is a significant change. Mr. Desmarais asked if it would be possible to get some drone before and after pictures of the restoration project. Mr. Hackman replied that they did capture a before image with a drone. Mr. Desmarais expressed how important he feels this restoration project is.

A motion was made by Chris Mather, seconded by Keith Mello, to approve the plan set as submitted with the condition that once a 100% plan set has been created, that the Commission be sent the plan set for consideration of changes that may warrant an amended order of conditions. The motion carries unanimously.

Request to Address the Commission – 18-24 Mill Street

Mr. Desmarais explained that Robert Weaver wanted to address the Commission to discuss water coming onto his property from another parcel and requested that the Commission take a look at it. Robert Weaver was not present at the meeting. Mr. Desmarais stated that he explained that this was a civil matter.

Minutes

A motion was made by Charlie Sullivan, seconded by Keith Mello, to approve the November 29, 2021 and June 2, 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. The motion carries unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Keith Mello, seconded by Charlie Sullivan, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: _____
Victoria D'Antoni, Senior Clerk