TOWN OF EAST BRIDGEWATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes for Meeting: 3/14/2022

Town Hall, Second Floor Large Conference Room

East Bridgewater on Monday March 14th, 2022, at 6:30PM.

Members Present: Claire Yocum (CY), Paul Gallant (PG), Craig Winsor (CW), Amanda Freda (AF), Steven Sears (SS), Sam Malafronte (SM), Elliott Jacobs (EJ)

*CW arrived at 6:35PM.

Also Present: Alex Welch, Conservation Agent and John Delano, Consultant

6:30 Open Meeting:

6:40 Appointments:

Notice of Intent - 494 West St. MA DEP# 148-1601

This Notice of Intent was for an addition to a commercial space in the amount of 1,800 SF. Roof infiltration for gutters on the back of the addition were agreed upon by both the applicant and Conservation Commission as needed edits.

EJ/SS motioned to close hearing and issue an Order of Conditions. In Favor – Unanimous

Notice of Intent - 903 Union St. MA DEP# 148-1600

This Notice of Intent was for the installation of an upgraded septic system.

PG/EJ motioned to close hearing and issue an Order of Conditions. In Favor – Unanimous

Notice of Intent - Medeiros Court, 0 South St. MA DEP# 148-1571

Request for continuance to 3/28/22 meeting as stormwater hearing is scheduled to open on that date and they should close concurrently so that the same plan is being approved.

SS/PG motioned to continue hearing to the 3/28/2022 meeting. In Favor – Unanimous

Certificate of Compliance - 692 Winter St. MA DEP# 148-1598

Applicant requested Certificate of Compliance for the installation of an upgraded septic system.

 CW/SS motioned to issue Certificate of Compliance with a \$1,500 bond for vegetation stabilization. In Favor – Unanimous

Discussion Items:

4 Lilac Place – Wetland Filling Violation

Joe and Lisa Puopolo, homeowners of 4 Lilac place were asked to come before the Commission to discuss the filling of some wetland areas on their property and to discuss paths forward in restoration. The Conservation Commission and the homeowners discussed restoration with the possibility of some filled area being kept, with the understanding that any area that is to be allowed by the Commission to remain "filled" would have to be replicated on the property elsewhere at a 2:1 ratio. The limits of the restoration were discussed, however not agreed upon during this meeting. At the conclusion of this discussion item, it was agreed upon between the Commission and the homeowner that the homeowner would contact the wetland scientist that performed the wetland delineation in 2021 to have them perform a site visit with the agent(s) of the Commission and any interested Commission members to discuss that past 2021 delineation in the coming weeks as spring approaches and vegetation starts to grow. There are some flags from the recent wetland scientist that the agents of the Commission viewed as worthy of deliberation which may potentially change where any replication could occur.

Administrative Wetland Fees

Discussion took place regarding wetland line review fees and what was appropriate to require of any applicant. This conversation was ultimately tabled until the next meeting (3/28/2022) so that more research could be done, and fee proposal ideas could be formed. Consideration of whether or not a project was for review by a 53G consultant was deemed important to include in the fee structure, but also that there would be a minimum amount to account for any time the Commission's agent were to spend in the field reviewing.

Adjourn - PG/CW motioned to adjourn meeting at 9PM. In Favor - Unanimous