

Location: Rockport Town Hall, Meeting Room A

Present: Larry Neal/Chairman, Alan MacMillan, Charlie Allen, Rob Claypool, MaryAnn Lash, Mel Michaels/Associate Member, David McKinnon/Associate Member, Member Bailey Coates/Student Member, Andrea Nichols/ Secretary, GERALYN Falco/Conservation Agent. The Rockport Conservation Commission (RCC) is a five member volunteer board. Five voting members are present.

Citizen Inquiries:

Bill Manuell (Wetlands & Land Management, Inc.) for 11 Old Garden Road – requests minor amendment to OC (DEP 62-0698); owner wants new infiltration bed and revised water service. Mr. Claypool moves to grant minor amendments as presented; Mr. MacMillan seconds. Vote 5:0. *Matt Araneo (Araneo Landscapes) for 52 Marmion Way (RDA 15-03)* – explains that water line needs replacing; old line is leaking and found to be near wetland on property; Don Greel (DPW) discussed with Agent Falco need for fast action; Agent Falco has approved water pipe replacement. RCC is okay with work; will vote after receipt of paperwork from Mr. Araneo.

Stewardship

Beavers at Loop Pond – David McKinnon reports that Beaver Solutions, Inc. will be in town on May 14, 2015 to install flow device; DPW will pay for it.

Kiosk (update) - Chairman Neal tells of conversation with Nick Holland; kiosk can be made ¾ size of suggested one and will cost approximately \$300.

Minutes.

04/15/15:Mr. MacMillan moves to approve minutes as amended; Mr. Claypool seconds. Vote 5:0.

New Hearings

RDA 15-04, MBTA, 17 Railroad Avenue (Map 11/Lots 21, 21B, 21E). *Install connection to new electric substation within 100’ of Bordering Vegetated Wetland.* Dan Beaulieu, Sr. Project Manager for MassDot and Jerry Blumenthal (Nitsch Engineering) are present; Mr. Blumenthal makes presentation; work is upgrade to electric substations >100’ to wetland; need conduit from new to old substation within 100’ of BVW (80-100’). RCC concerns are for manhole in Poole’s Lane (output leads to Millbrook); Mr. Blumenthal says that his work will take place away from this manhole; plans not P.E. stamped; what are drip pans/oil separators. Mr. MacMillan moves to close hearing; Mrs. Lash seconds. Vote 5:0. **Hearing is closed.** Mr. Claypool moves to issue negative determination category #3 with conditions; Mr. MacMillan seconds. Vote 5:0. **The digital voice recording of this hearing will be retained until all appeal periods have passed and all appeals resolved.**

Review Orders of Condition

NOI 62-0707, Stephanie Connaughton, 3 & 5 Old Garden Road (Map 22/Lots 151 & 152). Chairman Neal moves to issue OC as amended; Mrs. Lash seconds. Vote 5:0.

Other Business

- Essex County Greenbelt Association (Greenbelt) – present for Greenbelt are Ed Becker (Executive Director) and Chris LaPointe (new Director of Land Conservation); Mr. LaPointe introduces himself and starts discussion on: Saunders lots (3.2 acres); S. Johnson property (expect to have CR within 6 months); Paul Bryant properties off Lanes Farm Way (18.53 acres for farming), Mr. Bryant working with Greenbelt to buy building rights and place Conservation Restriction on land, RCC asks that Greenbelt discuss this property with Lane family; and Woodland Acres, Greenbelt still interested in land and will re-engage with land owner. RCC suggests introducing Mr. LaPointe to town with Greenbelt presentation on Values of Open Space; Agent Falco to reserve Library (Brenner Room) for early June.
- **Emergency Certificate (REC 15-01)**, Richard Cooper (Cooper Associates), 17, 18, 19 & 20 Long Beach (Map 21/Lots 30, 23, 31 & 22). *Repair and replace water pipes to cottages on a barrier beach.* Chairman Neal moves to ratify Emergency Certificate as written; Mr. Claypool seconds. Vote 5:0.
- **Emergency Certificate (REC 15-02)**, Richard Cooper (Cooper Associates), 12 Long Beach (Map 21/Lot 55). *Repair and replace water pipe to cottage on a barrier beach.* Chairman Neal moves to ratify Emergency Certificate as written; Mr. Claypool seconds. Vote 5:0.
- Graffiti in Rockport - Mary Devaney sent email requesting funding for graffiti removal of; RCC has little money and jurisdiction prohibits it from use other than wetlands protection; Agent Falco will send email back to Ms. Devaney.

Mr. Allen moves to adjourn meeting; Mr. Claypool seconds. Vote 5:0.

9:18 PM

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