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TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
20 Main Street
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2006

Attending: Tim, Damon, and Peter; Seth Lajoie, Seth Lajoie and Assoc., 405 Charlton St., Southbridge, MA; Julie Coffin, 3 Old Sawmill Rd.; Fred Lapham, Shea Engineering; Desheng Wang and Wenjun Cao, Carr Research Laboratory, Inc.; and Michael J. Rossi, 89 Northbridge Rd.

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m.

7:38 p.m. Lot 2 Quissett Road—NOI, Seth Lajoie informed members that the project is in the riverfront area. He is proposing a crossing to get to the upland area. There is more than 1:1 replication. Work is outside the 200-foot riverfront. T. Aicardi stepped down as chair. D. Tinio made and T. Aicardi seconded a motion to accept the plan for Lot 2 Quissett Road as presented. The motion carried. P. Coffin abstained. T. Aicardi resumed chairman role. The applicant was informed that the order of conditions will include requirement to complete replication before a partial Certificate of Compliance will be issued. The planting schedule will also be included on the Order. Hay bales must be installed and stock piling must be done per the engineering plan

8:05 p.m. Lot F6A Northbridge Rd.—NOI hearing cont., P. Coffin and T. Aicardi had done the site visit. A red oak tree has been saved and flagged. It shall be designated on all plans. Everything from the 326 contour line shall have a double-row of hay bales. Everything else shall have silt fence. No disturbance shall be done 20 feet from the rear corners of the house to the wetland. D. Tinio made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the plan for Lot F6A Northbridge Road as revised. The motion carried unanimously. F. Lapham will provide a revised plan.

Mike Rossi of Miscoe Springs informed members that the backwash from the plant goes into a sump in the tight tank and gets pumped every day. It is released outside once the water clears up. T. Aicardi noticed that the stream is running bright red. Tim requested a tape showing the spring be given to the commissioners when Mike finds it.

F. Lapham requested a Certificate of Compliance for 12 Emerson St. since the septic system has been moved out of the buffer zone. No order of conditions is needed. Members signed the COC.

Requests for Determination for 118 North Avenue (in-ground pool) and 54 Pleasant St. (farmer's porch) were signed with no wetland impact.

Requests for Determination with no wetland impact for the following addresses were signed between Aug.18 and Sept 14:

- 43 North Avenue-great room with bath
- 3 Ashkins Drive-in-ground pool
- 18 North Avenue-14'X22' addition
- 43 Hartford Avenue W.-14'X22' addition

The Request for Determination of Applicability for 13 Hartford Avenue East for a garage was withdrawn by the applicant.

P. Coffin will perform site visit for Request for Determination of Applicability to extend deck at 17 Daniels Road.

T. Aicardi to perform Determination of Applicability for 62 Northbridge Road, addition with full foundation.

A Request for Extension Permit for OOC for 89 Hartford Avenue East was granted for one year. Members signed.

A Certificate of Compliance for Cobbler's Knoll (DEP# 218-0559) was signed by members. The OOC was invalid as work never began.

The Certificate of Compliance for 7 Lovell Street was signed. Work was completed but COC was never requested until now. Applicant requested Attorney Jepsky be called when it is ready to be issued.

8:30 p.m. Sylvan Springs, Wenjun Cao presented plans. Profiles of each side of the street have not been shown yet per M. Ammendolia's request. T. Aicardi asked whether there is a plan for each crossing where siltation control will be. Wenjun explained hay bales will be used. Members reviewed stream-crossing design. P. Coffin asked where water will be pumped and indicated it should be part of the sequence plan instead of saying that in case needed dewatering basins will be used depending on the time of year being done. D. Wang said dewatering sequence shall be done for each crossing. Detention basins and swales should be done first before a construction begins. Commissioners require a detailed construction sequence be submitted on 8 1/2" by 11" or 11" by 17" sheets prior to building the crossings and will be included in the Order of Conditions. Profiles for retaining walls must also be submitted. Members asked how detention basins would be maintained. F. Lapham said there will be easements. D. Wang recommended that no pesticides be applied in Zone 1. He will provide a list of lots that should not use pesticides. Zone 1 should also have no septic system. He will provide a list of lots that are in zones 1 and 2. P. Coffin made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the plans for Sylvan Springs as presented with conditions and changes discussed. Motion carried unanimously.

Members agreed to hold Conservation Commission meetings on October 5, 19 and November 9. They will decide at a later date whether another meeting is necessary in November and the December schedule.

Members reviewed the letter from Alan Russell regarding 9 Cemetery Street.

P. Coffin made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of August 17, 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Tinio reported that on 50 Milford Street cranberries have been moved and will be put back in order to grow.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
Administrative Clerk