Conservation Commission Public Hearing Minutes - November 18, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM – 8:26 PM Location: Remote

Members Present: Monica Lagerquist, Acting Chair; Toni Bandrowicz, Vice Chair; Jonathan Grabowski;; Randall

Hughes; Monica Tamborini

Members Absent: Colleen Hitchcock

Staff: Molly O'Connell, Senior Planner

The public hearing of the Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:00 pm.

The public hearing was video recorded.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

1. Notice of Intent (DEP#071-0346): 60 Littles Point Road – filed by Hayes Engineering. Request to perform various property improvements on a single-family parcel, including pool installation.

Mike from Flavin Architects, Peter Ogren from Hayes Engineering, and the property owners were present for the application. The work is occurring within the 100 ft buffer zone, and part of the renovation of an existing deck is on the coastal bank. The renovation work includes two decks; and new work includes a second story pervious deck and installation of a new pool, partially in the buffer zone.

The commission asked about blasting. The applicant is not sure they will need to blast yet; T. Bandrowicz recommended to include a condition for more information once they know.

The commission discussed erosion control measures and storage of equipment.

T. Bandrowicz mentioned DEP guidance for no pool draining into the resource (in this case, the ocean). Peter Ogren stated that is why you cannot put chlorine in the pool less than 48 hours before draining and it will be drained onto the lawn area.

There was no public comment.

Motion to close the hearing: M. Tamborini, seconded by R. Hughes. All in favor

MOTION: T. Bandrowicz to issue an OOC for DEP #071-0346 with conditions, as stated previously, related to erosion control, snow fencing, stockpiling of materials, no heavy equipment in the resource area, future blasting, and pool discharge. Seconded by M. Tamborini. Unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

2. Discussion and vote to approve and accept easement between Swampscott Conservation Commission and CC White Court LLC for a public pedestrian pathway at 35 Littles Point Road, Swampscott.

MOTION: M. Tamborini to approve and accept the easement, seconded by T. Bandrowicz. Unanimously approved.

3. FEMA Building Code Presentation by Building Commissioner. Rich Baldacci gave a verbal presentation and sent materials by email. He discussed examples in Town of where FEMA regulations have required raising a home, and how the regulations work.

4. Other Business

a. Approval of previous meeting minutes

MOTION: M. Tamborini to approve October 2021 minutes. Seconded by J. Grabowski, unanimously approved.

b. Discussion of pier project

The project team will be coming to the December 9th ConComm meeting to have a preliminary discussion and answer questions / hear concerns. ConComm is very concerned about the eelgrass.

- c. Discussion of minor modification process
 - T. Bandrowicz noted that other communities like Beverly and Marblehead do this.
- d. Discussion of draft flood brochure
 - M. O'Connell will resend to group for additional comments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.