



Town of Danvers Conservation Commission

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Conservation Commission

Members:

Peter Wilson, Chair
Ann McGill
Mike Splaine
Vanessa Curran

January 12, 2023 7:00 p.m. Conservation Commission Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:02PM

Called to order by Peter Wilson, Chair. Board in attendance Peter Wilson, Michael Splaine, Vanessa Curran (remote)

Staff present: Georgia Pendergast

Notice of Intent [310 CMR 10.05 (4)]
24 Princeton Street, DEP File No. 14-1392
Applicant: John and Jane McGuirk

Mr. Wilson-applicant has requested to continue to January 26, 2023.

Motion to continue to January 26, 2023 made by Michael Splaine. Seconded by Vanessa Curran. All in favor.

Order of Conditions - Permit Extension Request
13 Mead Street, DEP File No. 14-1317
Applicant: Kimberly & Russell Seaward

Staff-applicant seeking extension to Order of Conditions. OOC issued January 2020. Home complete. Garage not complete. Permit eligible for state extension due to COVID. Fee \$500 for extension which has been paid. This will allow applicant to extend to April 2024.

Kimberly Seaward-outlined delays and impact of COVID on project. Prep work for garage complete. Will be two car with family room above. Need more time to get resources in place to complete.

Mr. Wilson-will need to be back before board April 2024.

Motion to issue permit extension to expire April 18, 2024 made by Michael Splaine. Seconded by Vanessa Curran. All in favor.

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6, 8 & 8R Greenleaf Dr.; 7 & 9 College Pond Dr.; 15 Lobao Dr.; 40 Summer St., DEP File No. 14 – 1394

Applicant: Town of Danvers, Engineering Division

Steve King (Town Engineer)-presented sewer pump replacement project, including feedback from site visit and walk.

Mr. Wilson-alternative routes studied and reason for route chosen?

Steve King-alternative route tripled amount of gravity sewer main needed to make connection or replace existing pump station.

Mr. Splaine-least disruptive to replace? Reason for not replacing pump station. Limited projects definition? Anticipated disruptions to project? How long did existing last? 16' easement-tree removal monitoring to remove as needed? Resource areas being replicated?

Steve King-equally disruptive to replace existing or follow route presented on plan. Pump station-limited lifespan. Gravity sewer main longer lifespan. Similar cost. We've done due diligence and feel confident in plan presented and ability to do project. Existing installed 1970s. Will review trees with staff and onsite contractor.

Staff-rarely does commission see landfill capping projects, sewer projects for example. Use benefits greater good typically. Could be large project and fall into limited definition. WPA may apply different rules and standards.

Dave Burnett (CDM Smith-Engineer)-longer route would be greater potential for issues. Confident in route on plan.

Ms. Curran-staging area/construction entrance? Erosion control?

Dave Burnett-most downstream end first; anticipating bringing in equipment through Summer Street driveway. Will try to be least disruptive.

Danielle Gallant (CDM Smith-Wetland Scientist)-plans note erosion area and erosion control plans. Bording flood area replaced at 1:1 ratio and within same general area of floodplain removal.

Mr. Wilson-start of work? Funding? Wetland soils removed going to Smith School? Who monitors new wetlands?

Steve King-Fall 2023. Fund appropriated through Town Meeting-money already in place. Staff have been in contact with school regarding scheduling of work. Roughly 6 months work; possible winter shutdown and back in spring; paving in summer.

Danielle Gallant-will do best to time it so construction at sewer wetland area will occur before Smith School replication. Stay outside of summer pool hours.

Staff-principal had no immediate concerns about work.

Dave Burnett-contractor to hire wetland specialist for monitoring new growth.

John Boughner (10 Greenleaf Drive; President of Oak Knoll Pool)-appreciative of site walk. Would ask for condition that project start no earlier than September 1 so that families can enter property. Fence and gate-would like condition that it is replaced as it protects wetlands and will work with pool association. Asking for condition that plantings be put back where able. Support project and would like it to move forward with conditions.

Mr. Wilson-project start in fall? Gate? Easement timing; Town Meeting approval? If not approved, project pushed back?

Steve King-yes-fall start is planned and not an issue. When we pave, that will be in the summer and may be a week's worth of disturbance. Needs to be done within window. No issue with replacing gate once complete. Will review plantings-will need approval from landowner if it's on their property. Easements by summer and need to be approved at Town Meeting. If not approved, pushed to fall Town Meeting but has to go through Town Meeting to start process.

Bill Bradstreet (Town Meeting Member Precinct 1)-trees cut down-some replaced-who decides what type of trees and where?

Danielle Gallant-worked with landscape architect and chose plantings based on recommendations and site visit. No plantings on easement-will regenerate naturally over time. Replicated-worked with architect and site visit observations to determine type.

Mr. Splaine-inflow and infiltration? Pipe material?

Steve King-outlined what is meant by inflow and infiltration and efforts to mitigate that from happening. Pipes will be made of PVC.

Motion to issue Order of Conditions with conditions as outlined during meeting and documented on Order of Conditions made by Michael Splaine. Seconded by Vanessa Curran. All in favor.

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47 Green Street, DEP File No. 14-139__

Applicant: Kevin Talbot & Brianne Linskey

Brienne Linskey-reviewed rationale behind purchasing the property and family needs that require the addition to the home.

Bill Manuell (Wetlands & Land Management)-presented on behalf of applicant. Home designed around mobility needs and wheelchair access and requirements therein. Applicants worked with architect-some work in no-build and no-disturb zone. Reviewed existing conditions, plans for expansion and changes proposed to property. Noted wetland areas around property. Addition encroaches into zone; project alternatives submitted; explanation for why alternatives would not work presented. Require waiver-based on Town Bylaws, criteria met for issuance of waiver. Details provided.

Mr. Splaine-overlap in impact areas? Pavement removed amount? Parking? Is this an EFLA?

Bill Manuell-we do not double count 35' and 50' zones. Over 2200 sf pavement removed-will put down loam and grass cover.

Ms. Curran-at closest point of addition-how far from wetland? Lawn between edge of wetland and ramp? Reason for leaving part of driveway?

Bill Manuell-appx 22' from wetlands noted on map in one area; noted another area 13' appx from wetlands. Ramp will have retaining wall to minimize grading. Still being determined-possibly small area of lawn and then natural. Commission can specify if need be. Park in driveway-no garage. Not and EFLA. Lower level to match basement, first floor to match current and then second floor. Meadow/field beyond driveway. Keeping pavement to allow future access should need arise.

Mr. Wilson-installation of drainage? Would like to do a site visit. Timeline for construction?

Bill Manuell-not sure on date but is old; before bylaw. Roughly 6 month turnaround.

Staff-will coordinate site visit before January 26 meeting.

Motion to continue public hearing to January 26, 2023 made by Michael Splaine. Seconded by Vanessa Curran. All in favor.

Staff-new business-backlog of minutes are being addressed by town staff.

Motion to adjourn made by Vanessa Curran. Seconded by Michael Splaine. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.