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MINUTES – CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: November 15, 2011 8:30 a.m.

LOCATION: TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM

Scrivener’s note: The following minutes are general in nature. For those wanting specific detail on matters heard on this agenda, additional resources are available to you: video-on-demand (free on the Town website at town.barnstable.ma.us), and DVD recordings. Please contact the Conservation Division at 508.862.4093 for assistance.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Dennis R. Houle. Also attending were Vice-Chairman Tom Lee and Commissioners John Abodeely, Larry Morin, and Louise Foster. Commissioners Peter Sampou and Scott Blazis were teaching. Darcy Karle, Conservation Agent, assisted along with Fred Stepanis, Conservation Assistant.

The meeting was held in the Hearing Room, Barnstable Town Hall, Hyannis, MA.

I REVISED PLANS

Project Type

Revision

A. Boudreau & Boudreau SE3-4160 Town sewer hookup repave parking lot

The applicant was represented by Mark Boudreau.

Issues discussed: no concerns arose.

A motion was made to approve the revised plan.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

B. Donahue SE3-2428 pier as-built permit existing float & lights

The applicant was represented by Rob Braman.

Issues discussed:

- The photo of lights was displayed and noted as Exhibit A.
- Lighting doesn’t meet standards, being 7 feet off decking
- Current float over the standard 200 square foot float policy
- Lights could be switched to those which meet standard approved lighting
- The float would need an notice of intent filing to seek approval.

A motion was made to deny the as-build plan request, and to give the applicant sixty days to remove non-complying issues.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

C. Rolfe SE3-4952 garage pile-supported screen porch

The applicant was represented by Jack Vaccaro.

Issues discussed:

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- Pit area in vicinity of proposed fish pond, described earlier as a water garden.

A motion was made to approve the revised plan.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

D. Rehnert SE3-4794 (cont'd. from 10/18) construct pool & cabana add pool fence

The applicant was represented by Phyllis Cole.

Issues discussed:

- A new revised plan dated 11/14/11 was submitted at the hearing and displayed as Exhibit A.
- Photos were submitted and noted as Exhibit B, 1 – 14, dated 11/13 and 11/14, 2011.
- Photos were submitted as Exhibit C, 1 – 2, dated 11/14/2011 taken by Dennis R. Houle.
- Alternative locations for the fence were suggested, e.g., near retaining wall, or closer to the pool.
- Two options were suggested by the Chair: move the fence out of the 50-foot buffer or raise it to meet the 6-inch rule.

A motion was made to deny the revised plan, and to give the applicant sixty days to remove the fence from the buffer zone. The applicant to submit a new revised plan for review by the Commission.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

II OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

A. Sandy Neck Park Manager's year-end report

Nina Coleman, Sandy Neck Park Manager, submitted her annual report for 2011.

Ms. Coleman reviewed the main topics of the report:

- Plovers – 44 nests; 57 fledged; heavy predation.
- Fencing – stake and twine chosen
- Terrapin – 110 potentially hatched nests (school program)
- Terns – 180, a very low number of productivity
- Wetland restoration – treatment continued
- Enforcement – issued 29 citations
- Hunting – currently open for pheasant hunting; deer hunting to open soon
- Revenue – is up this year
- Stickers – 3,538 (an increase)
- Number of vehicular trips – 20,590 (an increase)
- Escorts – 82, staying steady

Nina said that puddles on trails are an issue; she may submit a notice of intent application to correct the problem. Public safety is her main concern for the future; police officers on duty, and clear message regarding “no drinking” on beach.

B. #0 Indian Trail, Barnstable (B.L.T. Property) / Quirk replanting plan.: status of agreement (continued from 10/18/11)

Attorney Chuck Sabbat and Jaci Barton of the Barnstable Land Trust attended the hearing.

The Barnstable Land Trust will consent to the planting plan which was approved by the Commission. Ms. Barton confirmed the B.L.T.'s agreement to proceed with the June 13, 2011 plan.

C. Proposed conservation restriction Stuborn Ltd. Partnership to Town of Barnstable, 153 Freezer Point Rd., Barns.

Attorney John Kenney submitted a proposed plan dated 11/27/11 by B.S.C. Group noted as Exhibit A.

Mr. Kenney said he was working with Legal and other departments on the conservation restriction draft document. Mr. Kenney said that the plan would not interfere with the approved order of conditions.

The Chair requested that staff provide the Commission with a copy of the order of conditions, as well as the conservation restriction draft. The matter will be placed on the December 13th agenda.

III CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE

A. Landry SE3-1299 (coc,ok) construct single-family dwelling *

A motion was made to approve the certificate of compliance.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

The time was 10:10 a.m.