

Bellingham Conservation Commission 10 Mechanic Street Bellingham, Massachusetts 02019

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 24, 2021

MEETING LOCATION: zoom meeting

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place. This meeting will be via the Zoom online option; see information and instructions at the end of the agenda.

Present at the Meeting:

Cliff Matthews, Chairperson Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson Michael O'Herron, Member Brian Norton, Member Shawn Wade, Member Noel Lioce, Member Arianne Barton, Member

Other Officials:

Anne Matthews, Conservation Agent Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

Public Hearing: Project Location: 29 Puddingstone Lane:

Hearing time:

7:00 pm

Project Description:

18-foot diameter above ground pool

Application Type:

RDA

Applicant:

Laurie Gleason 29 Puddingstone Lane Bellingham, MA 02019

The Chairman opened the hearing for the Request for Determination of Applicability for applicant Laurie Gleason for property located at 29 Puddingstone Lane.

The applicant was present during the zoom call.

The applicant explained that she would like to place a 18 ft. round above ground pool to the existing deck that is attached to the house. The house is set up on the hill away from the river. The area is currently lawned. The pool will be 35-40 ft from the resource area. A plot plan was shown dated March 2, 2021. The work in the buffer zone will be 25-50 ft. The rose bushes will be taken out, but resident indicated that those plants will be relocated. The Chairperson and Agent inspected the site. There was a suggestion to add in the order of conditions that there be some protection in place if the applicant is clearing the ground. The applicant communicated that there will be pool sand brought int to level off this area. The installation of the pool should take a few hours. There is no need for sediment erosion control.

On a motion made by Shawn Wade, seconded by Arianne Barton, the Conservation Commission voted by roll call vote to issue a negative determination of applicability.

Roll Call Vote:

Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson	aye
Michael O'Herron, Member	aye
Brian Norton, Member	aye
Shawn M. Wade, Member	aye

Noel Lioce, Member aye Arianne Barton aye

Hartford Avenue Order of Conditions Extension Request:

The Department of Public Works is seeking an extension request for the Order of Conditions for Hartford Avenue. This is for the Hartford Avenue Intersection. The DPW is coordinating with the Town of Medway. There is funding available to complete this project which is being put out to bid. The Order of Conditions are due to expire before the project is finished. The extension will be for two years. This project should be completed by December 2021.

On a motion made by Noel Lioce, seconded by Michael O'Herron, the Conservation Commission voted by roll call to extend the request for Order of Conditions for Hartford Avenue for two years.

Roll Call Vote:

Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson aye
Michael O'Herron, Member aye
Brian Norton, Member aye
Shawn M. Wade, Member aye
Noel Lioce, Member aye
Arianne Barton aye

Public Hearing: Project Location: Hixon Street:

Hearing time: 7:20 pm

Project Description: Hartford Village II, Stormwater Management System for multi-family residential

development

Application Type: Notice of Intent: 105 - DEP File Number; BWP-292

Applicant: K & S Realty Trust

One Stallbrook Road Milford, MA 01757

Representative: Jude Gauvin

Andrews Survey & Engineering

104 Mendon Street Uxbridge, MA 01569

The Chairman opened the public hearing for Hartford Village II.

The representative speaking on behalf of the applicant was Byron Andrews from Andrew's Survey and Engineering. The applicant provided a share screen. There was an as-built plan of the basin which was shown on the screen share. The Engineer communicated that there will be no changes to this plan. The Order of Conditions have expired. The applicant has not received a Certificate of Compliance. There have been some slight variances from design of the basin. There was a perforated pipe put in which helps with the infiltration and retention of the basin. The applicant did do analysis on the basin and it does meet the stormwater standards. The applicant is requesting that another Order of Conditions be issued so they can apply for a Certificate of Compliance.

The Chairman communicated that this will be sent out for peer review to verify the calculations and that the basin will perform in conformance with the performance standards. The Chairman did indicate that there is a retaining wall at the base elevation of the basin. The Commission would like the grading and detail of the wall to be shown.

The Engineer responded that the wall is not at the bottom of the basin but is elevated above the basin. There are no grade markings on that structure. It is elevated to retain the water in the left-hand side and will infiltrate through the six-inch perforated pipe at the bottom of the wall. It was noted that there was not a detail of the wall but was built to the specification. The wall was shown on the permit set plans but the orientation is a little different. The detention basin from the permit set was shown. This was on sheet C7.

The Conservation Agent does not recall this being within the permit set filing. This plan is in front of the Commission since modifications were made to the design during construction and the applicant did not come forth to the Conservation Commission when the Order of Conditions were active. The goal is to get the proper design on file for this project.

The Building Inspector was present during the zoom call. He communicated that the leach field on the other side of the site does need to be loamed and seeded in the spring.

There was a request from the Commission to see a side-by-side comparison of the as-built versus the originally permitted structure.

Brad Wright communicated that he would like to be copied on all paperwork regarding the peer review.

On a motion made by Neal Standley, seconded by Shawn Wade, the Conservation Commission voted by roll call to continue the hearing for Hixon Street to April 28, 2021 at 7:10 pm.

Roll Call Vote:

Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson	aye
Michael O'Herron, Member	aye
Brian Norton, Member	aye
Shawn M. Wade, Member	aye
Arianne Barton	aye
Noel Lioce	aye

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 24, 2021:

On a motion made by Neal Standley, seconded by Michael O'Herron, the Conservation Commission voted by roll call to approve the minutes from February 24, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson	aye
Michael O'Herron, Member	aye
Brian Norton, Member	aye
Shawn M. Wade, Member	aye
Arianne Barton	aye
Noel Lioce	aye

March 10, 2021:

On a motion made by Mike O'Herron, seconded by Arianne Barton, the Conservation Commission voted by roll call to approve the minutes from March 10, 2021 as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson	aye
Michael O'Herron, Member	aye
Brian Norton, Member	aye
Shawn M. Wade, Member	aye
Arianne Barton	aye
Noel Lioce	aye

ADJOURN:

On a motion made by Michael O'Herron, seconded by Brian Norton, the Conservation Commission voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 pm.

Roll Call Vote:

Neal Standley, Vice Chairperson	aye
Michael O'Herron, Member	aye
Brian Norton, Member	aye
Shawn M. Wade, Member	aye
Arianne Barton	ave

Noel Lioce

aye

Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved on: (Date) (Prepared by Amy Sutherland)