

CONSERVATION COMMISSION – TOWN OF STOCKBRIDGE
TUESDAY 13 April 2021
7:00pm, Stockbridge, MA

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM

Present: Ron Brouker [presiding], Patrick White, Jamie Minacci, Lisa Bozzuto, John Hart, Joe DeGiorgis, Sally Underwood-Miller.

Also present: Christine Rasmussen, Jackson Alberti, Marie Raftery, Brian Cruey, Mike Parsons, Louis Korman, Tom Lewis, Riley Meehan, Mike Kulig, Haley Puntin, Matt Deres, Jim Harwood, Kate Fletcher, Greg Wellenkamp, Pam Sandler

Jamie Minacci made a motion to approve minutes from Tuesday, 13 April. John Hart seconded. Unanimous.

Brian Cruey spoke about the work being done at Naumkeag to improve drainage and help with runoff. Commissioners will perform a site visit on Friday, at 10am.

The Commission had a report of burn piles near the river at the Stockbridge Industrial Park. Ron will drive by and take a look.

Sally Underwood-Miller requested feedback on Commissioners' site visit to her property at 10 Rattlesnake Mountain Road. They propose to cut/remove invasive plant species such as bittersweet, buckthorn, barberry, and honeysuckle near Marsh Brook. They will also remove some dead trees. The area is fairly flat, and they will not disturb soils, so there are no concerns regarding runoff or contamination of the resource area. They will stay 50' away from the pond. Commissioners agreed the work would not affect the resource area and does not require a filing

Request for Certificate of Compliance – Bernard Haan, 16 Beachwood Drive. Map 104, Lot 102. DEP#296-0457. (Creative Building Solutions) Continued pending resolution of violation.

Notice of Intent – Tri Walk, LLC, Lot 1.1 Bean Hill Road. Map 209, Lot 1.1. Single family house. (Greylock Design) Awaiting refiling

The Request for a Certificate of Compliance for Yathrib, LTD, 3 Ice Glen Road (Map 21, Lots 55/66. DEP# 296-0208) will not be granted until the required work under the Enforcement Order soon to be issued is completed. This order will be attached to the deed to ensure work will finally be done according to the original Order of Conditions with additional mitigation work as compensation for the violation. The applicant will have 3 years to ensure that that mitigation will be successful. Work will need to start by 6/21 to prevent further action in the way of a fine at \$100/day.

The Notice of Intent for Yathrib is withdrawn.

Jackson Alberti (Foresight) presented the Notice of Intent for Bethany Woods on Prospect Hill. Map 216, Lot 30. The proposal is for a single family house. They received their special permit for the long driveway. The Planning Board order included a restriction on additional houses built on this lot. Sally Underwood-Miller recused herself from the deliberation as an abutter. John Hart made a motion to accept the plans as presented and close the hearing. Ron Brouker seconded. 6-1-0 Motion passed.

Ron Brouker made a motion to accept the plans as presented and close the hearing for the Notice of Intent for Jonathan Turell, 78 Interlaken Road. (Map 205, Lot 28) The proposal is for the removal/replacement of seasonal dock. Haley Puntin (SK) represented the applicant. Lisa Bozzuto seconded. Unanimous.

Commissioners expressed concerns regarding the Request for Determination of Applicability for Jonathan Turell, (Map 205, Lot 28) based on their site visit. The proposal was presented by Mike Parsons (KGP) and Greg Wellenkamp. The plan is for the removal of a large amount of invasive plant species and ash trees. At issue is the size of the area to be cleared and the steepness of the slope, along with the proximity to the lake. A Notice of Intent will need to be filed in conjunction with compliance with the Town's Stormwater bylaw.

Commissioners will perform a site visit at 11:45am on Friday to review the Request for Determination of Applicability for Harrison Ackerman, 42 East Street. (Map 217, Lot 50) Mike Kulig (Berkshire Eng.) described the plans for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System upgrade. The current system has failed. Due to zoning restraints presented by the well location, a large mound will be constructed toward the front of the house. Continued.

Jackson Alberti (Foresight) presented the Request for Determination of Applicability for William & Marcia Koff, 46 Lake Drive. (Map 101, Lot 22) The proposal is for a screen porch addition. A small deck that includes a hot tub is to be removed. Commissioners will perform a site visit on Friday at 11am. Continued.

Jim Harwood presented the Request for Determination of Applicability for John & Diana Glendinning, 6 Brookside Lane. (Map 104, Lot 26) The proposal is to screen in the existing porch and create a small landing on the west side of the house. This site in the Commission's opinion is already significantly compromised as it is surrounded by wetlands. Replications from a previous owner were neglected. Commissioners expressed concerns that the proposed landing/stairway could be ultimately become a part of an addition under the by-right addition tenets of town bylaws. Commissioners would like to see the landing/stair be separated into two sections and would like to see a deed restriction preventing this addition from becoming an addition to the footprint. Continued.

Tom Lewis of TEC Associates presented the Request for Determination of Applicability for the Housatonic Railroad for a wetlands delineation prior to herbicide application in the Right-of-Way. Mr. Lewis will meet members John Hart and Jamie Minacci to ride along the railroad route and verify the delineation. Continued.

No one appeared for the Request for Determination of Applicability for the Mahkeenac Terrace Association. (Map 205, lot 32) The proposal is to remove/repair the existing stairs and railing. (White) Continued.

Members discussed Performance Standards to be considered to clarify and codify for potential additions to town bylaws.

John Hart made a motion to adjourn the hearing at 9:43. Lisa Bozzuto seconded. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Underwood-Miller, Secretary/Member