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8/15/18

CARVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 1, 2018 MEETING

Present: Chairman Jim Nauen, Savery Moore, JP Flaherty, Tim Dempsey, and Alan Germain were present. Also present: Brooke Monroe, Environmental Scientist, Agent, and Marianne MacLeod, Recording Secretary.

Jim Nauen opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS/DISCUSSIONS:

Roger Noblett- across from 289 Meadow St.-boat tie-up Bates Pond
Mr. Noblett came before the Board. He would like to add a 10' strip of wood, 30" wide, 8-10' long; a piece of dock that will float in the water, so that he can put his 14' row boat in the water and thus he won't have to drag it back and forth. He gave pictures to Brooke. Jim Nauen explained the property is basically part of the town highway lay-out right to the water line. Alan Germain said he would like to see the Selectmen address this. Jim Nauen said he doesn't think the Conservation Commission has the right to approve this request. Savery Moore explained that Bates Pond is a great pond and is under the jurisdiction of DEP.

BUSINESS:

42 Bunny's Rd.-Tree removal – Brooke went and saw the site. The property owner would like to remove two large pine trees. She is also going to plant shrubs. Brooke will tell her she is free to have the trees cut down.

COC REQUESTS:

42 Fuller St.-Solar Array- DEP#SE126-548

There was a site walk today. Brooke said the site looked good. Alan Germain made a Motion to issue the COC, seconded by Tim Dempsey. Voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0.

19C Ward Street – Solar Array – DEP# SE126-534

There was a site walk today. It has all been seeded. Alan Germain made a Motion to issue the COC, seconded by Tim Dempsey. Voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0.

MINUTES:

To be read and approved for July 18, 2018. Alan Germain made a Motion to accept the minutes as amended (date of meeting, **June 20, 2018**, was added to section read into the minutes by Jim Nauen), seconded by Tim Dempsey, voted and passed 3-0-0, with Savery Moore and JP Flaherty abstaining due to absence at the last meeting.

NEW HEARINGS

OFF SPRING STREET DEP#SEP126-566

ANRAD

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40) and the Carver Wetlands Protection Bylaw, that a public hearing will be held at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, August 1, 2018 in Meeting Room 1 at the Carver Town Hall to hear the Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANORAD) filed by RBPB, LLC (Applicant). The Applicant is requesting, through the ANORAD, that the Carver Conservation Commission confirm the delineation of the wetland resource areas on the property. The project is located Off Spring Street, Carver, MA, Map 32, Parcels 1, 3, 5-AN, 5E, 6-A, 6-BN, 6-CN, 6-DN and 6-EN. All interested parties are invited to attend.

Jim Nauen said a site walk was done this morning. Brad McKenzie and Peter Obachinski of RBPB LLC came before the Commission. Property was owned by Mass DOT for many years and Peter has it under contract; hoping to close by the end of August. There was a MEPA site visit last week. A Planning Board meeting was recently attended with regards to this project. Definitive plans are in progress and hopefully completed within 30-60 days. The project is 20 acres +/- . Access is off Spring Street. There is a potential vernal pool on the property. In February it contained 18-24" of water. It is not listed in the Natural Heritage 2017 data. Brooke explained once the plans are done, if there is anything within the 100' buffer zone, they will come back before the Conservation Commission. Tim Dempsey asked what the final grades would be. Mr. McKenzie said they will vary – about 134' to meet the grade at Spring Street. Jim Nauen asked if there would be any severe grades within the property. Mr. McKenzie replied no, they are trying to maintain 3 to 1 slopes. He also explained that they are trying to avoid steep slopes. Dorothy Pollock is a neighbor and came forward. She said she was at a site walk and there is a stream at the vernal pool; in the summertime it is pretty dry but most of the year it is wet. She wanted to know if they would be respecting the vernal pool as a wetland and going away 100' from it. Mr. McKenzie said yes. Brooke explained there is 100' buffer from the wetlands and also 100' from the vernal pool. Right now there is nothing planned within the 100' buffer zone. The vernal pool has not been certified. Alan Germain made a Motion to close the Hearing, seconded by Savery Moore, voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0. Savery Moore made a Motion to accept the ANORAD, seconded by Alan Germain, voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0.

182 PLYMOUTH STREET

RDA

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40) and the Carver Wetlands Protection Bylaw, that a public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, in Meeting Room 1 at the Carver Town Hall to hear the Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) filed by Joseph Ford to determine: (a) whether the area depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced is an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act; and (b, c) whether the area and/or proposed work is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act or subject to the jurisdiction of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw of the Town of Carver. The project is located at 182 Plymouth Street, Carver, MA, Map 18, Lot 11-1. All interested parties are invited to attend.

Brooke explained there was a site walk today. The homeowner would like to put up an above-ground pool, with a fence and will put the required signs on the fence itself. Savery Moore made a Motion to close the Hearing, seconded by Tim Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0. Alan Germain made a Motion to file a Negative Determination #2, seconded by JP Flaherty, voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0.

CONTINUED HEARINGS

None.

Alan Germain shared a letter from Sarah Hewins that she received from the U.S. Board on Geographic Names indicating that a stream on the Cole Property has officially been named Grumpys Brook. There will be a presentation in the future and Sarah Hewins was hoping members of the Conservation Commission would attend.

Jim Nauen shared a letter from the Department of Conservation and Recreation regarding a meeting on Tuesday, August 28th at the Myles Standish State Forest to discuss a Fire Management Plan. Savery Moore said he thought that Carver doesn't allow the burns on the Carver property of the Forest and that Plymouth still does it.

Savery Moore made a Motion to adjourn at 7:52 p.m., seconded by Alan Germain, voted and passed unanimously 5-0-0.

Next meeting will be on August 15, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne MacLeod,
Recording Secretary

EXHIBITS:

- A. Sign-in sheet
- B. Letter – U.S. Board on Geographic Names
- C. Letter from Department of Conservation and Recreation



U.S. Board on Geographic Names

U.S. Geological Survey
523 National Center
Reston, VA 20192

June 28, 2018

Ms. Sarah G. Hewins
52 Forest Street
Carver, Massachusetts 02330

Dear Ms. Hewins:

We are pleased to inform you that the U.S. Board on Geographic Names, at its June 21, 2018 meeting, approved your proposal to apply the new name Grumpys Brook to a stream in the Town of Carver in Plymouth County.

The new name has been added to the Geographic Names Information System, the nation's official geographic names repository, which is available and searchable online at <https://geonames.usgs.gov>. The entry reads as follows:

Grumpys Brook: stream; 0.8 mi. long; in the Town of Carver, heads 1.1 mi. NNW of North Carver at 41°56'10"N, 70°47'32"W, flows generally W to enter the Winnetuxent River 1.5 mi. SSE of Plympton; named for Robert (Bob) "Grumpy" Conway (1946-2010), a local conservationist, photographer, bog foreman, and member of the Carver Conservation Commission; Plymouth County, Massachusetts; 41°56'07"N, 70°48'20"W; USGS map – Plympton 1:24,000.

Sincerely,

Lou Yost
Executive Secretary
U.S. Board on Geographic Names



department of Conservation and Recreation

July 24, 2018

Dear Stakeholder,

Over the last year Massachusetts DCR Bureau of Forest Fire Control and Forestry has been working on an initiative to develop an overall Fire Management Plan (FMP) for the Myles Standish Planning Area. The planning area includes Myles Standish State Forest; Southeast Pine Barrens Wildlife Management Area; Maple Springs Wildlife Management Area; and the Camp Cachalot Wildlife Conservation Easement. As part of this effort, DCR contracted with Northeast Forest & Fire Management, LLC to collaborate with agency staff, partners, and stakeholders to collect, organize and develop the final format for this important land management document.

The FMP is intended to be a programmatic-level planning document, which can help guide DCR and local fire departments to develop strategies related to wildfire response, suppression, and all aspects of fuels management.

As a valued stakeholder, your evaluation and input is an important part of our objective to have a final document that meets the needs of our forestland managers, fire managers, and local fire department partners. Therefore, I am extending an invitation for you to attend a stakeholders meeting where an overview will be presented with an opportunity for you to comment and participate. Northeast Forest & Fire Management, LLC will lead the meeting to provide details of the draft FMP and to answer any questions or comments you may have.

The Stakeholders' meeting will take place Tuesday, August 28, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Barn in Myles Standish State Forest.

Thank you in advance for your interest in the important project, and I look forward to seeing you at this forum.

Sincerely,

David Celino
Chief Fire Warden
MA Department of Conservation and Recreation