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CARVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2021 MEETING

Present: Chairman Savery Moore, Vice-Chairman Jim Nauen, Alan Germain, Dan Badger, Peg Blackwell, Environmental Scientist/ Agent Brooke Monroe, and Recording Secretary Ashley Swartz.

Mr. Moore opened the meeting at 7:01P.M.

REORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION

Turned meeting over to Brooke. Mr. Germain nominated Mr. Moore for the Chair. Ms. Blackwell seconded. Unanimously approved 5-0-0.

Mr. Moore nominated Mr. Germain as vice-chair. Ms. Blackwell seconded. Approved with a vote of 4-0-1 with Mr. Germain abstaining.

201 TREMONT STREET – WALL CONSTRUCTION

Postponed until June 16th.

BUNNY'S ROAD COMPLAINT – FOLLOW UP

She (resident) told Brooke the debris would be removed "very shortly".

Back on the agenda for the 16th and if no news as of then they would visit.

149 SOUTH MAIN STREET – FENCE FOR DOGGIE DAY CARE

Brooke has seen the site. The fence is within 65 feet of the bog and the fence will be around the yard. Mariam Gorie would like some input regarding the fencing. Mr. Moore suggested a wire mesh that was 4 inches wide and 6 inches high to allow animals to move freely. The area is for training and exercising dogs with supervision – this fence could work for this purpose.

The fence does require a variance because it is in the 65 feet and a suggestion was made to push it to the 100-foot zone to get a permit rather than a variance. Brooke suggested she could come by and measure the property to get a better idea of what was needed. Mr. Moore pulled up a map and using the scale he guessed the corner of the house was roughly 65 feet from the bog. He said a notice of intent would be required, notifying abutters, and required a scaled drawing. Mr. Moore said there may be something on file of her property (plot plan) and draw in where the fence would be (request from Board of Health). Mr. Germain suggested she work with Brooke to file the notice and get the appropriate paperwork completed for the 16th. She was notified that she needed to have a scale on her drawing.

BARRETT D'OLYMPIA – EAGLE PROJECT

Carver Troop 48 – Orange Trail Cole Property

Plan is to clean up the trail – he noticed some downed trees and he wanted to get them out of the way to have better access to the paths. He also wants to build some rabbitats. Mr. Moore asked if he would cut the trees and go back to nature. Barrett said they would section trees and repurpose into the rabbitats. Mr. Badger explained that the chainsaw work would be done by scout leaders and repurpose downed debris and bring in educational materials for the community regarding the rabbitats. Plan to finish end of month, early June. Everyone of the Commission was in agreement that this was a great project.

5 JOHNS POND ROAD – FOLLOW UP

Mr. Moore read a letter from a neighbor from 3 Johns Pond Road. See Attached.

Mr. Moore spoke about how they visited the site the first time and said the Commission was requiring an after-the-fact notice of intent and after-the-fact variance. Mr. Germain questioned the after-the-fact variance for pushing stuff into the pond. Going in and taking out what was pushed into the pond would cause more damage. Brooke said that a conversation with 3 Johns Pond included a concern with the patio, not just with what the letter expressed. Ms. Blackwell said the NOI can include allowing pushing the debris into the pond (to be safe since the decision has already been made at a previous meeting).

Mr. Badger asked for clarification around the issue – asking that work has been done, will continue to be done, etc – what happens if they vote against the variance. Mr. Moore explained that they have to take each issue separately: the pushing of the debris down by the tennis court, the rebuilding of the patio, and the work that has been done to the lake front. The resident explained that the wall was being rebuilt using the same footprint. Mr. Moore asked him to work with Brooke prior to the June 16th meeting. The resident said there was a lot of junk in the water and it had actually been removed, not added to it. They thought they were doing a good thing and they followed the same footprint and didn't realize repairs needed to be brought to the Commission. He continued to explain how their neighbors have a Styrofoam dock that is eroding in the water and found it ironic that they were being criticized for sticks in the water when Styrofoam takes 500 years to decompose. He left pictures with Brooke.

DISCUSS SUCCESSFUL PURCHASE OF 44 LAKEVIEW STREET (NEXT STEPS, POSSIBLE USES)

Mr. Moore thanked individuals, the Select Board and Eldridge Family regarding the closing of the property that closed on May 7, 2021.

He asked Brooke for a brief outline of what can and can't be done with the Conservation property. He also requested a representative from the Buzzards Bay Coalition to come in and give insight on what to do with the property, and like-groups that would have interest in help with the property that could give input. Mr. Germain suggested involving the Recreation Committee – the town could sponsor kayaks, summer activities, etc. Mr. Moore agreed that we could involve them once it was determined what could and couldn't be done with the property. Ms. Blackwell noted that they were a free service and we should take advantage of their insight. Mr. Badger said he preferred to keep ideas to himself for now but thinks keeping the ideas surrounding "Conservation-esque" is the way to go. Everything that can be developed there can and should be developed without Town Funds – we should use grants, fundraising, and/or donations. Mr. Moore said they could use acquisition funds to get the property up to code but

other funds would have to be generated some other way. Mr. Germain said all bills have to be under, "The Town of Carver" so they have to show that somehow. Mr. Moore noted that there is 160 feet of lake front with this property.

62 WEST STREET ANRAD SE#126-622

Bob Gray – wetland scientist who performed delineation. Property owned by Steven & Michelle Murphy. Delineation performed last year (April 29, 2020) and the wetlands are, "bordering vegetative wetlands" so the criteria to set the boundaries used were: hydrology, soils, and vegetation. Property surrounded by barbed wire fence lines (setting boundaries for former property owners). Mr. Moore said they were out there yesterday and it was evident that the area outside was very dry and the flagging looked accurate, the elevation was raised, it was fairly clear and the wetland flags were where they should be. Everyone from the Commission was in agreement. Jeff Lebanz (abutter) was present and he was curious about the purpose of the delineation. Mr. Moore said that this particular meeting was to determine whether or not they were in agreement of the delineation and where the wetlands were. Mr. Germain further explained that this was "prep work" for a future project and Mr. Moore defined it as a "map for workable area".

Mr. Germain made a motion to close the hearing, Ms. Blackwell seconded. Approved unanimously 5-0-0. Motion to approve the ANRAD by Mr. Germain, seconded by Ms. Blackwell, approved unanimously 5-0-0. Plans were signed by all members of the Commission.

370 TREMONT STREET NOI SE #126-

Requested a continuance and DEP had some comments - they will be back June 16th.

157 NORTH MAIN STREET NOI DEPSE#126-618

Kevin Grady and David Mulcahy of Oh Deer. Looked at Mr. Nash's property and David agreed to the modifications. Building has been moved closer to the existing building and pavement eliminated. Additionally, drainage basin has been modified and decided to cut a berm and create a natural drainage basin which will save 100 feet of trees length wise and 40 feet in depth (roughly) and the dam will go into the existing woods. This naturalizes it and maintains as much of the woods as possible. Applicant would prefer pavement over gravel for: maintenance, ease of access, stability, and difficulty to direct runoff. Mr. Germain started by saying he wants David to succeed. He understands not wanting gravel but he explained that there has to be very good reason to have it – his problem is primarily with the asphalt (proposed within the 100 feet). He likes what was added and thinks they can find something that is agreeable. Kevin and David said there is a holding tank under the building that catches any spillage and they can only have minimum risk pesticides in the building, both requirements in Massachusetts for Warehouse buildings. The spilled containment is in the other building because of a special permit and it is not in the new building. Kevin also asked about porous pavement in this area – allowing maneuvering and maintaining a solid surface. Mr. Badger commented that the Fire Department was okay with a non-asphalt surface. Mr. Germain suggested porous pavement in the 100 feet and the rest asphalt. Kevin drew proposed ideas on his plans and showed the Commission. Mr. Badger asked what was catching the drainage in the North East corner. Kevin said there was a storm drain catch basin. Mr. Germain said they would have to sign off on the plans, including the increase of the berm near Mr. Nash's property. Mr. Moore asked how porous this porous pavement is, Kevin explained that larger particles get stuck together allowing water to get

through, and it is coarse. Mr. Moore also was considering taking the 5 parking spots behind the building and making those gravel. The Commission asked David what his preference was and it was agreed that porous pavement was the best solution. Mr. Badger asked about silt and silt traps and how those would be cleaned out. Kevin explained that there was an operation and maintenance plan within the storm water management report that outlines the inspections and cleaning.

Mr. Moore noted that the decision should be based on how far the plans have come since the first set of plans have been presented. He said "we have come a long way" and it was "much better" than what we saw a month and a half ago. The vote will include a change with the porous pavement. Mr. Germain asked where the doors were going. Kevin explained there were two on the rear end and two on the gable end. Mr. Moore said they he appreciated the no disturb zone and Ms. Blackwell liked the compromise of the pavement. Mr. Germain made a motion to close the hearing, Mr. Nauen seconded, approved unanimously 5-0-0. Mr. Germain made a motion to approve the drawings revised May 19, 2021 with modifications drawn (addition of berm and porous pavement) on sheet 3 of 8 (signed by Kevin and David). Seconded by Ms. Blackwell. Approved 4-1-0.

Mr. Moore noted he would like a final, as built set of plans, in the order of conditions.

129 CENTER STREET NOI DEP #126-614

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7 WENHAM ROAD ANRAD #126-604

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MINUTES: MAY 5

Mr. Germain made a correction to Fields and Thomas (to Berns)

Mr. Nauen made a correction from Sarah Sterns to Sarah Stearns.

Mr. Moore made correction to add "panels". He also added a note regarding the conversation of the fence.

Motion to approve amended minutes made by Mr. Germain, seconded by Ms. Blackwell, approved unanimously 5-0-0.

Motion to adjourn Mr. Germain.

Seconded by Ms. Blackwell.

Unanimously approved 5-0-0.

Adjourned 8:40 PM

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ATTENDANCE SIGN IN SHEET

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