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CARVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF MAY 15, 2019 MEETING

Present: Chairman Jim Nauen is absent. Vice-Chairman, Savery Moore will run the meeting in his absence. Also present: Tim Dempsey, Alan Germain, and Dan Badger, Brooke Monroe, Environmental Scientist, Agent, and Marianne MacLeod, Recording Secretary.

Vice-Chairman Moore opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

REORGANIZATION

Mr. Milanoski, Town Administrator, sat in for this portion of the meeting. He asked for nomination for Chair of the Commission, Mr. Germain nominated Jim Nauen as Chair, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0. Mr. Germain nominated Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed 3-0-1 with Mr. Moore abstaining.

Mr. Germain nominated Mr. Badger to represent the Commission on the CPC, seconded by Mr. Moore, voted and passed 3-0-1 with Mr. Badger abstaining.

APPOINTMENTS/DISCUSSIONS:

Discussion of maintenance of Pag's Pond (South Meadow Village)

Mr. Moore explained that he, Mr. Dempsey and Brooke were there yesterday. This is a small, man-made pond in the south portion of South Meadow Village. It was built as a drain water pond and it is nicely maintained. There were a lot of fish in it and there is a walking path around the entire perimeter of the pond. The brush is maintained along the edge of the pond, leaving the roots in place. They have no issues with the way the pond has been maintained in the past. As long as they continue with this, there shouldn't be any issues. Brooke will provide a letter to South Meadow Village stating the maintenance can stay in effect.

Discussion on the time of day for site visits

Mr. Germain requested this be discussed because a lot of visits are done during the workweek in the morning and it is impossible for all members to attend them. He wanted to discuss possibilities of other times for members to do site visits. It could be a

case-by-case plan. They are usually about the day before or day of a meeting. Brooke will try to give everyone a week's notice about site visits.

UNANTICIPATED BUSINESS:

There is an unanticipated review of the project at 128 Meadow Street. Revised plans were handed out to Commission members. Mr. Katowski with Webby Engineering is here representing the property owners. Mr. Moore explained they reviewed plans for this project two meetings ago and it was requested the structure be moved out of the 65' buffer zone. He said looking at the plans, this has been accomplished. The driveway was also moved. The septic and well are in the same location. The house got "mirrored" on the plans. A Motion was made by Mr. Germain to approve the new plans dated 5/14/19, SE126-580, as amended, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0.

COC REQUEST

None.

MINUTES:

To be read and approved for May 1, 2019. Mr. Germain made a Motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0.

NEW HEARINGS

EDAVILLE LAND HOLDINGS SE126-581 NOI
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, May 15, 2019 in Meeting Room 1 at the Carver Town Hall to hear the Notice of Intent; submitted by Edaville Land Holdings, Inc.; for the Edaville Family Theme Park West Campus site improvements including the conversion of an abandoned cranberry bog to a tail water recovery pond connected to an existing, active cranberry bog and the construction of a boat landing area associated with an existing theme ride. The work is within the 100-foot buffer to an existing cranberry bog and canal and will require a variance from the Carver Wetlands Protection Bylaw for the work within the 65-foot buffer. The project is located at 7 Pine Street, Carver, MA, Map 87, Lot E-1 and E-2. All interested parties are invited to attend.

Mr. Delli Priscoli and Mr. Arthur Borden appeared before the Commission. They handed out plans for the members to review. Mr. Delli Priscoli explained the project to the members. This project is in the west campus. It includes part of Thomas Land and an existing cranberry bog. It is a newly rebuilt bog. The entire area would be closed off

during the cold months. Mr. Germain informed the Board that he is a direct abutter, he has no issue with this, his property is far away from this area and he feels he can participate in this Hearing; no members had an issue with this. Mr. Moore said in December 2013 he was a conductor on the railroad at Edaville. No one had an issue of him continuing either.

Mr. Germain made a Motion to open the Hearing for SE126-581, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0.

Mr. Germain did a site walk yesterday with Mr. Moore and Brooke. The location of the dock placement is dry. There will be nothing in the water from this dock. Mr. Germain sees nothing wrong with this project. Mr. Dempsey said he'd like to make sure the Commission is specific that this strictly includes the dock and the pond. The splash pad needs to be included as well as the water coaster, which are already there.

Mr. Moore would like to see the following included in the Order Of Conditions. There is a little bit of a turn going from the dock in route to the lower Atwood reservoir. It looks like there is some mud and muck at that point. He feels if there is a need to dredge this area, that Mr. Delli Priscoli come before the Commission and let them know their plans to do this. Mr. Delli Priscoli explained that this would be under the Farm Act when/if it is done. Mr. Moore also asked how the boat would be powered? Mr. Delli Priscoli explained that right now it will be gas; however, they are looking into solar power on the roof and an electric motor. Mr. Moore asked where will the boat will be refueled? Mr. Delli Priscoli explained that refueling would be gas cans that are refilled at the shop elsewhere on the property and the cans would be refueled there.

Mr. Moore also asked on the dock itself, what kind of surface will it be? Will there be openings between planks? Yes. They will use a PVC decking with structural southern yellow pine for the poles (treated). They will be put in with a vibratory hammer.

Mr. Badger asked about the water coaster. The water is recycled through a filter system and cleaned. There is shielding to keep 99.9% of the water within the ride.

An abutter, Eleanor Robbins, came before the Commission; her family owns a bog on Edaville Grounds and across the street. She asked if that is the same plan as at the Town Hall and was told yes it is. She had several questions which were answered by both board members and Mr. Delli Priscoli. After listening to her concerns, it was concluded that these concerns are not within the purview of the Commission.

Mr. Germain made a Motion to close the Hearing, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0.

Mr. Germain made a Motion to approve the project SE126-581 for the Amazon River Cruise dock, the existing bog to be converted to a tail water recovery pond and for the splash pad as drawn on the 3/25/19 map, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0.

Mr. Germain made a Motion to approve the variance for the work inside the 65' buffer zone, for the Amazon River Cruise dock, the existing bog to be converted to a tail water recovery pond and for the splash pad as drawn on the 3/25/19 map, with conditions set forth by the Agent, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0. The conditions include the petitioner notifying the Commission if any dredging will be performed in this area.

Mr. Moore shared that he attended a MAC seminar with the Buzzard Bay Coalition on how to write good Order Of Conditions and how to prepare by-laws for approval. He would like it to be put on the agenda for the next meeting so he can share what he learned with other members.

CONTINUED HEARINGS

NONE

Next meeting: June 5, 2019.

Mr. Germain made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Dempsey voted and passed unanimously 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne MacLeod
Recording Secretary