

TOWN OF MEDWAY COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Thursday, December 8, 2022 – Virtual Meeting

Commissioners Present: Dayna Gill, Ken McKay, Sean Green, David Blackwell, Mike Narducci

Commissioners Absent: Tara Kripowicz, David Travalini

Conservation Agent Present: Bridget Graziano

Community Members Present: Joe Scopa, Mark Callahan, John Glossa, Nick Howard, Mario Moniz, Tim Ward,

Paul DiSimone, Amber Paturzo, Mary Narducci, Stephanie Carlisle

<u>Call to Order:</u> At 7:35PM, Ms. Gill called the meeting to order. She confirmed the virtual presence of the following individuals. Blackwell: here, McKay: here, Green: here, Narducci: here, and Gill: here.

7:35 PM Review Agenda

· There were no topics that were not already anticipated by the Chair.

At 7:38PM Mr. Narducci recused himself virtually from the meeting.

Request for Certificate of Compliance

 \cdot 158 Holliston Street (DEP #216-0959) - request for certificate of compliance, order of conditions and land disturbance permit

John Glossa was present to represent Mike Narducci as builder of the home subject to an order of conditions and a land disturbance permit. Mr. Glossa stated changes were made to the location of the drainage catchment areas due to utilities in the way and changes per the client. Mr. Glossa previously met with the conservation agent and the client and discussed where the changes would be made for the volume of the catchment areas and drainage to watershed areas as approved. Mr. Glossa recommended the lot was in compliance with the conditions with the knowledge that minor changes were made to the plans. There were 30 more trees planted on this lot than were required in the order of conditions. Ms. Graziano discussed that the plantings were for the rain gardens and the client would need to replace them as part of the storm management system. Ms. Graziano confirmed there was no erosion but some areas of the rain gardens hadn't germinated yet and may erode. Ms. Graziano recommended that the client report to the commission annually.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to issue a certificate of compliance for the order of conditions and the land disturbance permit for DEP #216-0959 158 Holliston Street with the following conditions in perpetuity: no 78, 83, 84, 85, 86 and 87. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye and Gill: aye.VOTE 4-0.

 $\cdot 160$ Holliston Street (DEP #216-0958) - request for certificate of compliance, order of conditions and land disturbance permit

John Glossa was present to discuss minor changes to the front rain garden which had the water line for the house. Mr. Glossa discussed changes to the back rain garden and drainage catch around the property on the plan and stated rooftop drainage was the same as the plan. Ms. Graziano stated she inspected the house. She discussed that everything was where it was originally approved by the conservation commission, changes were made to the rain gardens, there was very little germination but rain gardens are in placement.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to issue a certificate of compliance for the order of conditions and land disturbance permit for DEP #216-0958 160 Holliston Street with the following conditions in perpetuity: no 77, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 4-0.

·58 Oakland Street (DEP #215-0941) – proposal to construct a single-family home

Joe Scopa was present to discuss this matter. Mr. Scopa stated that the home was completed after tearing down the erosion control and stabilizing the property. Mr. Scopa discussed fixing the issue with the downspout to the water chambers by digging a square stone pit, which had no erosion issues after one year. Ms. Graziano read a received approval letter for the commission. Ms. Gill requested a plan for record purposes. Mr. Green discussed concern with erosion of the slope. Ms. Graziano shared the engineering plan on screen for 58 Oakland Street with the downspout in question and pointed out the location of the erosion control line. Ms. Graziano stated there were two conditions in perpetuity 14 and 15. Mr. McKay agreed, citing the buffer area between the wetlands as preventing a problem.

At 7:51PM Mr. Narducci rejoined the virtual meeting.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to issue a certificate of compliance for 58 Oakland Street DEP #215-0941 with the continuing conditions no. 14 and 15. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

·15 Skyline Drive (DEP #216-0942) – proposal to install in ground pool

Mark Callahan was present to discuss this matter. Ms. Graziano shared the engineering plan on screen. Mr. Callahan discussed the order of compliance concerning a wetland behind the pool and pipeline on the property. Ms. Graziano discussed the requirement for two to four native plantings and shifting location of the pool as a condition needed before the certificate of compliance. Mr. Green stated that a construction company working in the backyard prevented timely planting of bushes. Ms. Graziano discussed plans to review the plantings in May 2023.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to issue a certificate of compliance for 15 Skyline Drive (DEP #216-0942) with the continuing conditions no. 7, 8. 9. 10 and 21. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Request for Determination of Applicability

3 Skyline Drive (RDA-22-09) – proposal to install a replacement septic system at single family home

Paul DiSimone was present to discuss this matter. Ms. Graziano shared on screen engineering plans for the commission to review. Mr. DiSimone discussed his plan to put the field in first and leave the existing tank in the field until later tank replacement. Ms. Graziano discussed her prior site walk to examine the wetland line location and stated she spoke with the Board of Health Director to get approval for the system. Ms.

Gill requested questions. Ms. Graziano recommended approval of the request for determination of applicability with proposed conditions. Mr. DiSimone stated he was in agreement with the proposed conditions.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to issue a positive 5 negative 3 for 3 Skyline Drive (RDA-22-09) with the conditions Ms. Graziano outlined. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

·39 Village Street (RDA-22-10) – proposal to constructed farmers porch on the front of an existing

single-family dwelling

Tim Ward was present to discuss this matter. Ms. Graziano shared the engineering plan on screen. Mr. Ward discussed the proposal to remove the damaged porch and construct a farmers porch. Ms. Graziano discussed her site walk following the riverfront line in the outer repairing zone. Ms. Graziano recommended a positive 5 negative 3 with the following conditions to put in a compost stock along the north side of the driveway to be approved at a later date. She stated that erosion controls need approval to be removed by an agent or commission member before they are removed on site.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to issue a positive 5 negative 3 determination for 39 Village Street (RDA-22-10) with the conditions Ms. Graziano outlined. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Discussions

Discussion #4 – Stephanie Carlisle Review of new updated RDA regulations and new stormwater amendments to the Bylaw

Stephanie Carlisle was present to address this matter. Ms. Carlisle discussed the code review and proposed changes to the stormwater Bylaw made to prioritize solutions for climate control. Ms. Carlisle stated she is working in a team to rewrite nature-based rules and regulations to be manageable and understandable. She stated there will be a final plan for phosphorus removal by June 2023 to be submitted to the EPA. Ms. Carlisle stated there will be a draft plan to be shared with the commission in the Spring 2023 and the EPA will have an informational session on stormwater permits on December 13, 2022. Ms. Gill requested questions. Ms. Graziano stated she plans to request changes to stormwater management regulations with the commission. Ms. Graziano, Ms. Carlisle, Ms. Gill and Mr. Narducci discussed the Medway Charles River floodwater model project started with the Charles River Watershed to map future flooding in the area and prepare protective measures. [Source:

https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/5e214750da174c46bf6a8b8da12630e9]

Discussion #1- 1 Nirvana Way review of Order of Conditions and meeting with new owner

Mario Moniz was present to address this matter. Ms. Graziano stated the previous owner filed a notice of intent and the commission required restoration to the buffer zone and vernal pool, which was in a no-touch area. Ms. Graziano stated the commission had requirements under the order of conditions with regards to doing a vernal pool study. The commission discussed the pros and cons to moving forward with the study and certification of a vernal pool classification. Mr. Narducci recommended a future site walk. Mr. McKay stated any activity around the pool would have to be filed. Ms. Gill stated the commission doesn't need to require vernal pool monitoring. Ms. Graziano stated she would like to complete a survey in February 2023

and will send requirements for the property by email to Mr. Moniz.

Discussion #2 - Request for Amendment to the Order of Conditions DEP #216-0991 letter of request for minor amendment under Section 16 of the Regulations for the installation of a drinking well

- Plan titled, "Proposed Well Plan 11 Main Street Medway, MA" by Cheney Engineering, dated October 25, 2022
- Letter from applicant requesting the Amendment dated

Nick Howard was present to address this matter. Mr. Howard discussed the waterline issues while digging and the requests for a minor amendment to build a well. Ms. Graziano shared the engineering document on screen showing installation plans of the private drinking well. The commission discussed required tree work and planting. Ms. Graziano did not recommend a waiver for the new owner and stated the granite bounds have not been completed. Ms. Graziano recommended a minor amendment by the commission through section 16 and recommended the client to install erosion controls around the slurry pit for the well prior to an issue of compliance and board of health permit. Mr. Howard requested clarification on timing of the installation. Ms. Graziano stated her additional conditions of compliance for the drinking well location. Mr. Narducci asked if the drinking well would affect any trees on the property. Ms. Graziano stated no additional trees would come down as in the limit of work. Ms. Graziano stated the commission would vote to add the issued plan under the bylaw order of conditions for the proposed well.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to consider this a minor amendment to the Plan titled "Proposed Well Plan 11 Main Street Medway, MA" dated October 25, 2022 under chapter 16.01. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to vote to add the proposed well conditions "Proposed Well Plan for 11 Main Street, Medway, MA" dated October 25, 2022 to the existing order of conditions plan set for this property including everything Ms. Graziano outlined. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Discussion #3 - 1 Gray Squirrel Circle Enforcement Orders, issued September 29, 2022 and October 7, 2022

No one was present to address this matter. Ms. Graziano discussed 1 Gray Squirrel was issued an enforcement from a violation letter and the commission was looking to schedule a site visit with the owner on December 14. Ms. Graziano stated no one had contacted her about the issue and recommended moving this discussion to the January 12 meeting at 8:45PM.

Discussion #5 – Vote to remove Tara Kripowicz from the Conservation Commissioner per the Town of Medway Charter Section 5-1-1 for missing more than 4 consecutive meeting within one calendar year

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to request that the selectboard declare the seat held by Tara Kripowicz vacant for the Town of Medway Charter per Charter Section 5-1-1 for missing more than 4 consecutive meetings within one calendar year. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Discussion #6 - Review of proposed Tree Preservation Bylaw update

This item was not addressed at this meeting.

7:45PM Public Hearings

Public Hearing #1- 9 Holbrook Street (DEP 216-10xx) Notice of Intent proposal to remove 15 trees from the lot

- WPA Form 3
- Plans titled, "Tree Removal Plan 9 Holbrook Street" by GLM Engineering Consultants, dated August 5, 2022
- Letter from Ethical Tree Services, dated

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to continue this matter per the applicant's request to the January 12 meeting at 7:45PM. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Meeting Minutes

Approval of Minutes 7/14/22, 7/27/22, 8/11/22, 8/25/22, 9/8/22, 9/22/22, 10/13/22, 10/27/22

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 7/27/22 as amended to fix a typo. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 9/8/22 as amended. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

<u>VOTE:</u> Ms. Gill offered a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 10/27/22. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

<u>VOTE</u>: Ms. Gill offered a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 11/10/22 as amended. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Remaining meeting minutes were not addressed at this meeting.

Agent Report

This item was not addressed at this meeting.

Chair Report

This item was not addressed at this meeting.

<u>Motion to Adjourn:</u> At 9:42 PM Ms. Gill motioned to adjourn. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion, which passed unanimously. Blackwell: aye, Green: aye, McKay: aye, Narducci: aye and Gill: aye. VOTE 5-0.

Next Scheduled Public Meeting: January 12, 2023 at 7:30PM *Virtually