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Meeting Held via Zoom
This meeting was held virtually through Zoom, Zoom ID 814 1369 6942

Approved: September 13, 2021

Conservation Commission Minutes Monday, August 23, 2021

Chair Alan Chaney called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

Members present: Juan Amodei, Al Starbird, Leah Basbanes, Tiffany Naughton and Marijan

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Member absent: Kate DeLoureiro

Building Permit Backland Lot – 116 Thorndike Street – James Russell

Mr. Russell attended the meeting. Alan explained that the parcel has the required 40' of frontage necessary for a backland lot. Access is through 108 Thorndike Street. There are no wetlands issues. In order to build upon the lot, the Planning Board placed a Conservation Restriction requirement as part of the Special Permit process (North Middlesex Registry of Deeds under Book 30451, Page 115 and Plan Book 242, Page 35). This was completed and filed at the North Middlesex Registry of Deeds under Book 33882, Page 27. Juan made a motion to sign the building permit. Marijan 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Certificate of Compliance – 54 Hardy Street – Ken Tully</u>

Mr. Tully is not ready to request his COC. This will go on a September agenda.

163 Pleasant Street - Question on Leveling Land near Wetlands

Gopala Krishna emailed the Conservation Commission regarding leveling an area of his property which was created after removing some small pine trees. Salmon Brook runs along the west side of his property. Members decided they needed to see the area before making suggestions. A site visit is scheduled for Saturday, August 28 at 10am.

Special Permit Notification Form from Planning Board – 160 Westford Street

The Planning Board sent a Special Permit Notification form to the Commission. A hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 21. Gateway Homes moved the septic system outside the 100' buffer zone and the 200' Riverfront area to avoid a Conservation filing. Leah made a motion to send the applicant a letter stating that the revised plan, as presented, does not require action by the Conservation Commission. Juan 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Plan: Land of Ross V. Deachman Trustee of, Christine Biron 1989 Trust and Joel Biron 1989 Trust prepared for Gateway Homes, LLC 160 Westford Street, August 9, 2021 by Meridian Land Services, Inc.

Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2021

Leah made a motion to approve, as submitted, the August 9 meeting minutes. Tiffany 2nd the Conservation Commission Minutes – August 23, 2021 Page 1 of 2



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motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Bills and Payroll -

No bills. Leah made a motion to sign payroll. Tiffany 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

Pawel Chadzynski – 61 Parkhurst Street – Question

Mr. Chadzynski explained that he was installing a pool in his backyard and because of the location, needs a place to temporarily stock excavation materials. He asked members if he could deposit the material on Conservation land with the understanding that he will remove everything once the pool is completed. Alan said that he did not see any harm with the request, however, would like to look at the area before giving permission. Leah said he should place as much of the material on his own land as he can. After removing the material, the area must be restored to its original condition. Tiffany brought up that equipment should not be stored on the Conservation's open space parcel. Mr. Chadzynski said that he is having his property surveyed to insure the pool will be located within his lot. Members set up a site visit for Saturday, August 28 at 10:30am.

Alan reported that Zoo New England met with him today to discuss the conservation land between Unkety Brook and Adam Street. They propose to create a Blanding's Turtle nesting site. Blanding's Turtles are listed as "threatened" under the Massachusetts Natural Heritage Endangered Species program.

Motion to adjourn by Tiffany, seconded by Leah at 7:05 pm. The next meeting of the Commission will be on Monday, September 13 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann Administrative Assistant Dunstable Conservation Commission