

Kingston Conservation Commission Minutes

April 17, 2007

7:00p.m. The chairman called the meeting to order.
Present: Gary Langenbach (chairman), Marilyn Kozodoy, Sue Chamberlain, William Kavol, James Dehner, William Underhill
Staff: Maureen Thomas, Conservation Agent and Brandi Gordon, Secretary

Signing of Bills

Discussion regarding:

- Vandalism, unsafe vehicular traffic, drinking parties and illegal burning on Hathaway Preserve
 - Marilyn Kozodoy met with Chief Rebello and Detective Kelly. Chief Rebello stated that it is a difficult area to patrol due to potential damage to cruisers. He recommended changing wording on signs to show defined times for use of property, which would then be enforceable. Det. Kelly stated that even with alcohol present, they can not make an arrest unless a minor is found in possession of alcohol.

William Underhill motioned to spend Conservation Fund money to pay for the change of signs to reflect "open 6 AM to 8 PM". James Dehner seconded the motion.

7:12p.m. **VOTE: 6-0-0**

7:12p.m. Mark Guidoboni discussed with the Commission relocating the Bay Circuit Trail, trash clean up at Silver Lake Sanctuary, areas of camping and vehicle access for the delivery of portable bathrooms for a Boy Scout Campout Weekend.

Enforcement Issues:

- 35 Reed Street – need site visit for cutting of trees in the buffer without a filing
- Indian Pond Estates – meet on site with DEP on April 19, 2007

- Tarkiln Road – may have more site visits with property owner approval
- organize “Friends of Conservation Land” group

7:32p.m. Continued a Public Hearing for a Request for Determination for 35 Howlands Lane, Map 59, Lot 2

Present: Courtland Harlow, David Harlow

Maureen Thomas stated that she wanted to see the wetland report to review the vegetation. She stated that Deb Hill delineated the wetland and is willing to meet on site.

The chairman asked the applicant if he was agreeable to Deb Hill performing a site visit which he would need to pay for.

Courtland Harlow stated that he was agreeable to the site visit.

William Underhill motioned to continue the Public Hearing.

Sue Chamberlain seconded the motion.

7:37p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0

Continued to May 1, 2007 @ 7:45p.m.

Site Visit 4/26/07 @ 5:10p.m.

Discussion regarding:

- Finance Committee recommendation to lower the CPA Surcharge from 3% to 1%

Sue Chamberlain motioned to support maintaining the CPA surcharge at three percent.

William Underhill seconded the motion.

7:44p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0

7:46p.m. Opened a Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for 82 Ring Road, Map 61, Lot 30

Present: Joe Webby

Joe Webby presented the proposed project to the Commission.

Maureen Thomas stated that it would be a substantial improvement over the existing location of the septic system.

James Dehner asked if there would be any protective barrier for the septic system.

Joe Webby showed the diagram on the plans to the Commission.

Maureen Thomas asked if the Board of Health would check whether an impermeable barrier was existent.

Joe Webby stated yes.

William Underhill motioned to continue the Public Hearing.
William Kavol seconded the motion.

7:54p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0

Continued to May 15, 2007 @ 8:00p.m.

Site visit 4/26/2007

Discussion regarding the Earth Removal By-Law as the article appeared on the Annual Town Meeting warrant

Marilyn Kozodoy motioned to not support the Earth Removal By-Law without a review process.

William Underhill seconded the motion.

Discussion

8:07p.m.

Opened a Public Hearing for a Request for Determination of Applicability for 183 Summer Street, Map 20, Lot 4

The representative from Merrill Associates presented the project to the Commission.

Maureen Thomas stated that haybales and silt fence would need to be used for the excavation trench. She also stated that the catch basins would need to be protected with filter fabric. She asked about the depth of the proposed trench for the sewer line.

The representative for Merrill Associates stated that the depth of the trench would be dependent on the as built for the sewer line.

Maureen Thomas asked if a Licensed Site Professional would be on site.

The representative stated that having a Licensed Site Professional on site was standard procedure.

William Underhill motioned to close the Public Hearing.

James Dehner seconded the motion.

8:18p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0

William Underhill motioned to issue Orders of Conditions with special conditions pending the receipt of requested information. James Dehner seconded the motion.

8:18p.m. VOTE: 6-0-0

8:18p.m. Continued a Public Hearing for a Request for Amendment for 45 River Street

Present: Frank Catani

Maureen Thomas stated that she liked the idea of removing concrete blocks from the marsh.

Frank Catani stated that he could use a crane to remove the larger block anchor but would need to leave the other two.

Maureen Thomas stated that if the area where they remove the pavement was repaved, they could direct any water flow landward.

Frank Catani stated that the area slopes naturally down to the river and would not be able to direct the flow landward.

Maureen Thomas stated that they could install a small rain garden between the edge of the building and the pavement.

Discussion regarding areas to install rain gardens

Maureen Thomas asked where the gutters were located on the building.

Frank Catani stated that there were no gutters or downspouts.

Marilyn Kozodoy motioned to close the Public Hearing. James Dehner seconded the motion.

8:38p.m. VOTE: 6-0-0

Sue Chamberlain motioned to issue an amendment to a Negative Determination with conditions.

James Dehner seconded the motion.

8:38p.m. VOTE: 6-0-0

8:38p.m. Informal meeting – 68 Evergreen Street, Map 36, Lot 122

Present: Bob Gosselin

Bob Gosselin presented sets of 11" x 17" plans to the Commission. He stated that any input that the Commission had on the site plan would be appreciated.

The chairman stated that he would like to see a slope restoring the habitat and buffer zone.

Bob Gosselin stated that all drainage would be contained on site.

The chairman stated that if the bank was restored, it would function again as habitat.

James Dehner stated that it would protect habitat, slow runoff and would be cost effective.

Bob Gosselin stated that it would not be an issue and was under the assumption that less disturbance would be more favorable.

Discussion regarding narrowing entrance and exit

Discussion regarding rain gardens

Discussion regarding 8, 10, 20 Maple Street Request for Extension of Orders of Conditions

William Underhill motioned to extend the Orders of Conditions for 8, 10, 20 Maple Street for a period of three years.

Marilyn Kozodoy seconded the motion.

9:09p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0

Discussion regarding the Earth Removal By-Law

Marilyn Kozodoy amended the previous motion in keeping with the removal of the article from the warrant.

9:14p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0

Marilyn Kozodoy motioned to adjourn.

James Dehner seconded the motion.

9:14p.m.

VOTE: 6-0-0