

## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF WAREHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Date of Meeting: February 1, 2017**

### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Ken Baptiste, Chairman  
Sandy Slavin  
Joe Leggett  
Elizabeth Lydon  
Mary Taggart  
Elissa Heard  
Dave Pichette, Agent

Members Absent: Mark Carboni  
Jim Smith

### **III. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

#### **A. Approve meeting minutes: May 4, 2016 & June 1, 2016**

Ms. Slavin believes the May 4, 2016 minutes were previously approved as amended. She also believes Ms. Lydon was not an Associate Member at the hearings. Ms. Lydon stated she was not an Associate Member at the time. The minutes were amended. Ms. Heard believes she was not an Associate Member for the June 1st hearing as listed. She stated she was still an Associate Member at that time; she did not become a full member until July 26, 2016.

The minutes were not approved at this time.

### **IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **A. RDA – Scott & Elaine Robertson, c/o G.A.F. Engineering, Inc.**

Present before the Commission: No-one was present

A site inspection was made at 9 Stockton Shortcut. The project involves the removal of a tennis court and landscaping in the buffer zone to bordering vegetated wetlands and within a coastal flood zone. An existing tennis court and surrounding chain link fence approximately 25' from the edge of the wetland and within Flood Zone VE 17 is to be removed and replaced with loam and seed to match the existing lawn area which surrounds the court area. Concrete will be

excavated and removed from the site. Grading will match existing grade. Silt fence will be installed between the court and the resource area. Mr. Pichette recommended the issuance of a Negative #2 Determination for the project.

Ms. Slavin stated she would like to continue this public hearing to see how the applicant proposes to fertilize the lawn.

**MOTION: Ms. Lydon moved to continue the public hearing for Scott & Elaine Robertson to February 15, 2017. Ms. Slavin seconded.**

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**V. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A. NOI – Karl Wurst & Amy West, c/o JC Engineering, Inc. – SE76-2421**

Present before the Commission: Amy West  
Mike Pimental, JC Engineering, Inc.

It was stated that the proposed dock is not on the applicant's property. It is on property owned by the White Island Shores Association. The hearing was continued to receive a letter from the Association approving the project. A letter was received from the Association in favor of the project. A DEP file number has been received. Mr. Pichette recommended the approval of the project with standard conditions.

**MOTION: Ms. Slavin moved to close the public hearing for Karl Wurst & Amy West. Ms. Heard seconded.**

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**MOTION: Ms. Slavin moved to grant an Order of Conditions with standard conditions for Karl Wurst & Amy West. Ms. Lydon seconded.**

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**B. NOI – Frank Adrean, Nanumett Shores Improvement Association, c/o G.A.F. Engineering, Inc. – SE76-2413**

The applicant has requested a continuance to February 15, 2017.

**MOTION:** Ms. Slavin moved to continue the public hearing for Frank Adrean, Nanumett Shores Improvement Association to February 15, 2017. Ms. Heard seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**C. NOI – Michael & Nancy Martin, c/o Environmental Consulting & Restoration, LLC  
– SE76-2425**

Present before the Commission: Michael Martin

The project involves the demolition of an existing dwelling and construction of a new dwelling in the buffer zone to a coastal bank and a coastal beach. A revised plan has been submitted.

**MOTION:** Ms. Slavin moved to close the public hearing for Michael & Nancy Martin. Ms. Lydon seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**MOTION:** Ms. Slavin moved to grant an Order of Conditions for Michael & Nancy Martin with standard conditions and the added conditions that no work be done from the water side and all debris to be removed from the site. Ms. Lydon seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**VI. EXTENSION REQUESTS**

**VII. ENFORCEMENT ORDERS**

**VIII. CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE**

**A. Steve Doire – 250 Barker Road**

Present before the Commission: Steve Doire

It was stated an area had been disturbed that should not have been, but plantings have been put in place.

**MOTION:** Ms. Slavin moved to approve the Certificate of Compliance for Steve Doire – 250 Barker Road. Ms. Heard seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**IX. ANY OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION**

**A. Discussion: NOI – Perched, LLC – Violation**

Present before the Commission: Bob Brady

Mr. Pichette stated after a site inspection, he found the project was in violation of the Order of Conditions. Work had begun without the applicant first checking with him (the Agent) about the site and clearing it for work to begin. The hay bales were not properly installed before clearing had begun. Also, the trees that were cut were stockpiled outside the approved limit of work line. The Commission stated to the applicant that no further work at the site was to be conducted until the haybales were properly installed and inspected by the Conservation Administrator. Also, that the trees and debris that were placed outside the limit of work were to be moved back within the limit of work or removed from the site.

Mr. Brady acknowledged these requirements.

**B. Discussion: MACC Conference**

Mr. Pichette asked if anyone was interested in attending the conference. None of the members will be attending the conference.

**C. Discussion: Tree Cutting Policy**

The draft Tree Cutting Policy was distributed to the members. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION: Mr. Leggett moved the Commission accept the draft as the Tree Cutting Policy. Ms. Slavin seconded.**

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

**D. Discussion: Conservation Restriction/Stewardship**

There is a Community Preservation grant to purchase two acres of land in Onset and the thought is to have the land under a Conservation Restriction.

**E. Discussion: Bills**

**F. Discussion: Appointments**

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: Ms. Lydon moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Slavin seconded.**

**VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)**

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Ken Baptiste, Chairman

WAREHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Date copy sent to Town Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_