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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 26, 2024
Greenfield Department of Planning and Development
Online via Zoom
Greenfield MA 01301

The meeting was called to order by Travis Drury at 6:32 p.m. with the following members:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Travis Drury (Chair)
Christin McDonough (Vice-Chair)
Erika LaForme
Emily Boss
Elizabeth Garofalo

ALSO PRESENT: Mitchell Vye (Agent)
Zachary Weiland
Jeremy Degler
Maureen Barisano
Bob Williford
Don Barisano
Drew Barisano

Should any technical interruption to the meeting occur and the meeting is suddenly ended, it will not be resumed and all items will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting date. Contact the Conservation Agent for more information

Administrative Matters

Approval of Meeting Minutes from 3/12/2024

Motion by Christin to approve the meeting minutes from 3/12/2024

Seconded by Erika

No further discussion

Christin AYE

Erika AYE

Elizabeth AYE

Emily AYE

Travis AYE

Motion passes 5-0-0



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Schedule of Public Meetings & Hearings

➤ **Public Hearing: Notice of Intent: Improvements at the Greenfield Water Pollution Control Facility at 384 Deerfield Street (Maps 14, 15, Lots 3A, 1) DEP # 168-0360 Continued from 3/12/2024**

The site plans in Appendix B of the revised Notice of Intent have been updated to include the labeled one-foot contours. A note has been added on sheet C-101 in the bottom left corner which states “elevations are based on the NGVD29 Datum”. The NOI narrative has been updated to include a table showing cut and fill volumes at each incremental foot elevation. Christin stated that 200 feet from the river is a resource area and not a buffer zone as noted on the plans. There were no public comments.

**Motion by Erika to close the public hearing for the project at 384 Deerfield Street (DEP # 168-0360)
Seconded by Christin
No further discussion**

**Erika AYE
Christin AYE
Elizabeth AYE
Emily AYE
Travis AYE
Motion passes 5-0-0**

**Motion by Christin to issue an Order of Conditions for the project at 384 Deerfield Street (DEP # 168-0360)
Seconded by Erika
No further discussion**

**Christin AYE
Elizabeth AYE
Erika AYE
Emily AYE
Travis ATE
Motion passes 5-0-0**

Other Business and Enforcement Updates

➤ Tree removal on Pickett Lane

There are 8 trees that are leaning towards the future single-family house. The Commission agreed that removing the trees now would be better than later. It is ideal to leave 15-foot snags, although the applicant stated this



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would be much more costly. The Commission requested a letter from the tree company stating the danger of these leaning trees. One of the trees is more of a hazard to the future driveway than the house.

Motion by Christin to give the Conservation Agent administrative approval over the removal of the 7 trees

Seconded by Erika

Christin AYE

Erika AYE

Emily AYE

Elizabeth AYE

Travis AYE

Motion passes 5-0-0

- Stone Ridge Lane parcel discussion

Travis will invite the Mayor Desorgher to a Commission meeting to discuss the property, which the Commission hopes will become Conservation Land.

- Conservation land management updates

Boundary signs have been installed on the Gott Land Conservation Area. The Commission would like to continue its trail maintenance project at the Griswold/GTD Conservation Area, although this will likely involve wetlands permitting.

- Discussion on native plant recommendations in orders

The Commission prefers using native plants where this area is in the northern portion of their range due to climate change. This is not currently a requirement of an Order of Conditions, however. Information will be provided to applicants on this as necessary.

- The Museum of Our Industrial Heritage

Rocks were placed in the bank of the Green River by the Museum of Our Industrial Heritage in order to stabilize the bank. They will be contacted and invited to a future meeting to discuss the violation.

Project Monitoring, Correspondence, & Site Visit Scheduling

No updates.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:47 PM



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Motion by Christin to adjourn the meeting
Motion seconded by Elizabeth
No further discussion

5-0-0 – Motion Carries

Respectfully Submitted,

Mitchell Vye,

Conservation Agent

Travis Drury,

Chair