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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 14, 2023
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
Erika LaForme
Fletcher Harrington

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rachel Lindsay (Vice Chair)

ALSO PRESENT: Mitchell Vye (Agent)
Chuck Caron
George Chianis
Louis Hodgetts
Stephen Herzog
Thomas Hogan
MJ Adams
Rachel Loeffler
MJ Adams
Larry Rusiecki
Rachel Luna
Michael Rosen
Steve Capshaw

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 2/28/2023

Motion by Fletcher to approve the minutes from February 28, 2023

Motion seconded by Erika



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The mention of previously developed area for the 208 Mohawk Trail project was amended to specify that it is previously developed Riverfront Area.

Under the discussion for the project at 15 Greenfield Street, the word “prove” was changed to “improve”.

Fletcher AYE

Erika AYE

Christin AYE

Travis AYE

Motion passes 4-0-0

Schedule of Public Meetings & Hearings

- **Public Hearing: Notice of Intent: Cell tower installation at 112 Newton Street; (Map: R24, Lot: 11) DEP #168-0352**

Louis Hodgetts, who was the engineer for the project, shared the revised plan. The silt fence was extended and replaced with a 12-inch diameter filter sock to capture any potential runoff from the site. The access road is gravel and is treated as impervious for the sake of the design. Crushed stone will be used for the site compound. The applicant was not able to use soils for infiltration so they will use a swale for managing stormwater. The swale is designed to naturally revegetate. Louis does not predict a lot of sediment build up in the pretreatment forebay, although an annual inspection could be done. The swale is designed to retain the vast majority of the 100-year storm.

A notification informed the Commission that an issue with Greenfield’s Zoom account would cause the meeting to end prematurely. The meeting attendants were instructed to rejoin the meeting when this occurs if possible.

Motion by to continue to all public hearings to March 21st in case technical interruptions cause the meeting to permanently end

Seconded by Christin

No further discussion

Christian AYE

Erika AYE

Fletcher AYE

Travis AYE

Motion passes 4-0-0

There were no public comments.

Motion by Erika to close public hearing for the Notice of Intent at 112 Newton Street (DEP #168-0352)



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Second by Fletcher
No further discussion

Erika AYE
Fletcher AYE
Christian AYE
Travis AYE
Motion passes 4-0-0

Motion by Fletcher to issue an Order of Conditions for the project at 112 Newton Street (DEP #168-0352)
Seconded by Erika

The proposed native seed mix shall be submitted to and approved by the Conservation Agent prior to construction

Sediment shall be removed when it reaches half-height of the sediment controls

The BMP's shall be inspected annually and a log book shall be maintained and provided to the Conservation Commission upon request.

Erika AYE
Christin AYE
Fletcher AYE
Travis AYE
Motion passes 4-0-0

➤ **Public Hearing: Notice of Intent: Building addition and parking area construction at 15 Greenfield Street; (Map: R05, Lot: 28/28C) DEP #168-0353**

The project has been revised. The building additions have been removed. The project is now for the parking lot only, which would be a Category 2 Notice of Intent. The project proposes 20,400 square feet of impervious pavement area. Fletcher requested native mix to be used within the buffer zone. There were no public comments.

Motion by Fletcher to close the public hearing for the project at 15 Greenfield Street (DEP #168-0353)
Seconded by Erika
No further discussion

Erika AYE
Christin AYE
Fletcher AYE
Travis AYE
Motion passes 4-0-0



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**Motion by Erika to issue an Order of Conditions for the project at 15 Greenfield Street (DEP #168-0353)
Seconded by Fletcher**

**The Notice of Intent form shall be updated with the current the scope of project and sent to the
Commission**

**The proposed native seed mix shall be submitted to and approved by the Conservation Agent prior to
construction**

Erika AYE

Christin AYE

Fletcher AYE

Travis AYE

Motion passes 4-0-0

Other Business & Enforcement Updates

➤ Emergency Certification off of Health Camp Road

The Emergency Certification form for connecting the steel cross beams to minipiles was submitted as discussed at the February 28th meeting.

Motion by Fletcher to ratify the Emergency Certification for the project off of Health Camp Road

Seconded Erika

No further discussion

Erika AYE

Fletcher AYE

Christin AYE

Travis AYE

Motion passes 4-0-0

➤ Center School tree cutting

An Emergency Certification was issued for the cutting of compromised trees by the north parking lot at the Center School. The request also included cutting and pruning trees in the woods where an outdoor class is held. A spider lift would be used to climb the trees.

Motion by Fletcher to ratify and amend the Emergency Certification to include all the requested areas

Seconded by Christin

The work shall be done on a dry and stable day

There shall be no refueling within the BVW buffer zone



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Snags shall be left at 4 feet or higher

Erika AYE
Christina AYE
Fletcher AYE
Travis AYE
Motion passes 4-0-0

Project Monitoring, Correspondence & Site Visit Scheduling

No updates.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:27 PM

Motion made by Fletcher to adjourn the meeting
Motion seconded by Erika
No further discussion

Erika AYE
Christin AYE
Fletcher AYE
Travis AYE
4-0-0 – Motion Carries

Respectfully Submitted,

Mitchell Vye,

Conservation Agent

Travis Drury,

Chair