

**Conservation Commission Minutes – November 14, 2019
at 6:30 PM in the Council Chambers on the Second Floor of the Municipal Office Building,
66 Central Square, Bridgewater, Massachusetts**

Attendees:

Present: Marilyn MacDonald, Chair; Harry Bailey, Vice-Chair; Eileen Prisco, Member, Steven Solbo, Environmental Planner; Jasmin Farinacci, Executive Assistant

6:30pm – Old Business

- Notice of Intent – 10 Stonehill Lane **(Silva Engineering Associates)**

Present before the Commission: No one is present at this time

The applicant has requested a continuance until December 12, 2019. There will not be a quorum December 12, 2019. The hearing will be continued until December 26, 2019.

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to continue the hearing until December 26, 2019. Member Bailey seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-0)

6:30pm – New Business

- Request for Determination of Applicability – 1278 Bedford Street **(Merrill Engineers)**

Present before the Commission: Dana Altobello, Merrill Engineers

The applicant is requesting to construct a gas service connection for the existing apartment building at 1278 Bedford Street. The property is owned by New Heights Building. Mr. Altobello is here representing Columbia Gas requesting 112 linear feet to the existing building. The work will be done within existing roadways. A portion of the work will take place within the buffer zone to delineated wetlands. Erosion control is proposed during the construction and no work is proposed to be done during rain events.

Agent Solbo states that the Best Management Practice to ensure there is no erosion or sedimentation there will be erosion control on both sides of the guardrail or shrubbery, and Agent Solbo recommends a Negative Determination.

Member Bailey states that the storm drain located on site is one of the best done in town and contains all appropriate measures for mitigation should there be a disturbance to the drain.

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to grant a Negative Determination. Member Bailey seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-0)

6:30pm – Conservation Commission Business

- Other Business: As deemed appropriate by the Commission
- Notice of Intent – South Farm Estates, Map 125, Lot 89 **(Michael J. Koska & Associates)**

Agent Solbo recommends a few special conditions for this project. This is day 21 from the close of the last public hearing so the decision must be signed at the hearing. Agent Solbo recommends the standard conditions as well as the conditions that any mitigation or replication be done prior to any other work ensues, which will be verified by a site walk by the agent and the commission. The replication shall be made with only native species. Any other subdivision of this property requires a separate Notice of Intent for each separate lot created.

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to approve the Order of Conditions with standard conditions as well as the additional conditions as recommended by Agent Solbo. Member Bailey seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-0)

- Request for Certificate of Compliance – 435 Auburn Street

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Compliance on an old project where the house has been re-sold multiple times and the current homeowner found the open Order of Conditions and is requesting a Certificate of Compliance.

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to approve the Certificate of Compliance. Member Bailey seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-0)

- Request for Certificate of Compliance – Elm Street (Sports Complex) **(Silva Engineering Associates)**

The work for this project never commenced and the applicant has requested a Certificate of Compliance.

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to approve the Certificate of Compliance. Member Bailey seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-0)

- Memorial bench

Chairman MacDonald states they are still having conversation regarding installation of the memorial bench.

- Review of meeting minutes from October 21, 2019

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to approve the minutes of October 21, 2019. Member Bailey seconds.

Vote: (3-0-0)

MOTION: Member Prisco moves to close the public hearing. Member Bailey seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-0)