

**Conservation Commission Minutes
February 8, 2018**

Attendees:

Present: Marilyn MacDonald, Chair, Eileen Prisco, Member; Tina Bianco, Associate Member, and Azu Etoniru, Conservation Agent

Absent: Harry Bailey, Vice-Chair

Conservation Commission – Old Business

Notice of Intent – Off of Auburn Street, Map 79, Lots 1, 2,4 and 18 – SE116-1416

Ms. Marilyn MacDonald, Chair, opened the continued hearing. Mr. Chris Gallagher, from E.T. Engineering Enterprises, Inc., provided the Commission with revised engineered plan set dated February 8, 2018 entitled "IMHOFF Solar Farm Auburn Street, Bridgewater, Massachusetts" as prepared by E.T. Engineering, Inc., 481 Bedford Street, Bridgewater, MA that addressed the peer review comments provided by Nick Lanney, HML Associates, as well as comments made by Lenore White, Wetland Scientists, Wetland Strategies, Inc. in her review letter dated February 5, 2018. Mr. Gallagher discussed in detail the changes made to the project. Based on the drainage calculations, the most notable changes a change with the proposed swales and ditches to reflect how they are collecting the runoff.

A letter dated February 8, 2018 from Nicholas A. Lanney, P.E., HML Associates to the Conservation Commission was reviewed and read into the record. It stated the following:

"We have reviewed the comment response letter dated January 26, 2018, Site Plans revised December 19, 2017 and Drainage Report updated January 26, 2018 by ET Engineering Enterprises for the Imhoff Solar Farm. We find the modifications made to the plans satisfactorily address our comments except as noted below. There has been a significant change to the stormwater management design. A berm to retain runoff has been added along the eastern limit of the solar field and additional infiltration trenches have been provided. However, in the process of revising the plans and calculations, revisions shown on the plans were not reflected in the calculations and revisions to the calculation were not shown on the plans and as a result what was shown did not mitigate peak flow and volume. I received revised plans and calculations from ET Engineering at 430pm and while my review suggests that they are on the right track more times is needed to complete my review. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions."

Ms. Lenore White, Wetland Strategies, Inc. stated that she is satisfied with the project as it stands, however, she did not see the revised plans, and would like an opportunity to comment on them. The Commission gave Ms. White a copy of the updated plans, along with the updated drainage calculations.

Mr. Dan Zani, abutter residing at 20 Old Farm Road; Ms. Karen Nickerson, abutter residing at 5 Hopkins Drive; Ms. Nicole Holmes, abutter residing at 80 Old Farm Road; and Ms. Lynette DeLano-Chase, abutter residing at 60 Old Farm Road, all expressed their individual concerns regarding the impact to the wetland in relation to the project.

Mr. Fred Chase, abutter residing at 60 Old Farm Road expressed his concerns regarding the construction of the project and the regulations that must be followed. Lenore White, Wetland Scientist, Wetland strategies, Inc., through the Commission, addressed Mr. Chase's concerns. her concerns regarding the impact to the wetland in relation to the project.

Ms. Laura Walsh, abutter residing at 55 Old Farm Road, expressed her concerns regarding any potential health risks in relation to the project.

The applicant requested to continue the hearing to allow the peer review consultants sufficient time to review the updated engineered plans. Ms. Tina Bianco, Associate Member, motioned to accept the applicant's request to continue the hearing to February 22, 2018. Ms. Eileen Prisco, Member, seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor, none opposed.

Notice of Intent – Oldfield Estates, off Oldfield Road – SE116-1395

Ms. Marilyn MacDonald, Chair, opened the continued hearing, and reviewed a letter dated February 8, 2018 from Rebecca Baptista, Senior Civil Engineer, Silva Engineering Associates, P.C., to the Conservation Commission was reviewed and read into the record. It stated the following:

"On behalf of our client, Silva Engineering Associates (SEA) would like to request a continuance from your February 8, 2018 until the Commission's next meeting on February 22, 2018. The continuation will allow for the approval of the project by the Planning Board before the Commission closes the public hearing. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me."

Ms. Tina Bianco, Associate Member, motioned to accept the applicant's request to continue the hearing to February 22, 2018. Ms. Eileen Prisco, Member, seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor, none opposed.

Conservation Commission – New Business

Notice of Intent – Crimson Heights off Lyman Place – SE116-1419

Ms. Marilyn MacDonald, Chair, opened the hearing and read the public hearing notice into the record for the Notice of Intent filed by PJ Cincotta Inc. The applicant sought approval to construct a roadway and drainage basins within the buffer zone to a previously approved wetland line. The property is owned by JZ Realty LLC and Saw Realty Trust and is located off Lyman Place, Bridgewater, MA as identified on Assessor's Map 111, Parcels 15 & 39, and Map 112, Parcel 2.

Ms. Rebecca Baptista from Silva Engineering Associates, P.C., was present, made a presentation to the Commission, explaining the scope of the project as depicted on the engineered plans dated August 12, 2009 and entitled "ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey" as prepared by Silva Engineering Associates, P.C.

The Conservation Commission reviewed and discussed the information and documents presented. There were no abutters for comment. The Commission stated that they will need to visit the parcel to assess the impact to the wetlands and requested the closest points to the wetlands buffer be staked out.

The applicant requested that the hearing be continued. Mr. Robert Mello, Member, motioned to continue the hearing until February 22, 2018 pending a site walk visit. Ms. Eileen Prisco, Member, seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor, none opposed.

Conservation Commission Business

Review of Open Space Memorandum to Division of Conservation Services

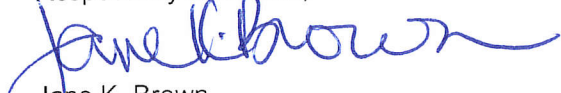
As requested by the Town Manager's office, the Commission reviewed and signed a memorandum dated January 18, 2018 and addressed to Ms. Melissa Cryan, Division of Conservation Services, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114 regarding the Town of Bridgewater Open Space and Recreation Plan Update 2017.

Review of Order of Conditions for 0 Forest Street, Map 99, Parcel 94 – SE116-1418

The Commission reviewed the Order of Conditions for DEP File Number SE116-1418 for 0 Forest Street, Map 99, Parcel 94 as presented. Ms. Eileen Prisco, Member, made a motion to issue the Order of Conditions. Ms. Tina Bianco, Associate Member, seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor, none opposed.

Commissioner Eileen Prisco, Member, made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:00pm. Commissioner Tina Bianco, Associate Member, seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor, none opposed. Ms. Marilyn MacDonald closed the meeting. Next meeting will be on February 8, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers located on the second floor of the Municipal Office Building, 66 Central Sq, Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,


Jane K. Brown
Administrative Assistant