

Town of Barnstable Conservation Commission

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MINUTES - CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: October 16, 2012 8:30 AM

LOCATION: TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM

<u>Scrivener's note</u>: The following minutes are general in nature. For those wanting specific detail on matters heard on this agenda, additional resources are available to you: video-on-demand (free on the Town website at <u>town.barnstable.ma.us</u>, and DVD recordings. Please contact the Conservation Division at 508.862.4093 for assistance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Dennis R. Houle. Also attending were Vice-Chairman Tom Lee and Commissioners John E. Abodeely, Larry Morin, and Louise Foster. Commissioners Peter Sampou, Scott Blazis were teaching. Rob Gatewood, Conservation Administrator, assisted, along with Darcy Karle, Conservation Agent, and Fred Stepanis, Conservation Assistant.

The meeting was held in the Town Hall Hearing Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA.

I REVISED PLANS project type revision

A. Hyannis Bldg. Dev. SE3-4308 floating dock system elec. line; time restriction

The applicant was represented by Robert Braman.

Issues discussed:

• Request to relax the time of year restriction to May 1st.

A motion was made to approve relaxation of the time of year restriction, subject to State allowance.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

B. Michael Folk SE3-4811 sfd improvements lawn to 50' setback; fence

The applicant was represented by Lynne Hamlyn.

Issues discussed:

 A request to replace a portion of meadow with fescue lawn while still providing for a meadow within the 50-foot buffer.

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A motion was made to table the matter to November 13th.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

A motion was made to amend the agenda to add an additional revised plan, Dupuy (SE3-4693)

Seconded and voted unanimously.

C. Dupuy SE3-4693 sfd raze/rebuild storage barn, hot tub, stairs

The applicant attended the meeting.

Issues discussed:

• The focus was on hot tub drainage and the proposed barn.

A motion was made to approve the revised plan with standard conditions for drywells. Seconded and voted unanimously.

II ENFORCEMENT ORDERS

A. Norman E. Leen Jr. – 131 Country Club Drive Yarmouth Port

Work beyond scope of approved plan in DA-07046 and violation of an enforcement order by continuing to mow and maintain a lawn beyond the work limit line into 50' buffer zone.

Mr. Leen attended the meeting.

Issues discussed:

Whether to allow mowing, four-times per year, of Japanese knotweed within the fenced 50-foot buffer.

A motion was made to allow natural re-growth of disturbed area outside of Area A (close to west of property line), and to allow cutting four times per year within Area A, to expire on September 30, 2014. After that time, consultation with the Conservation Commission is required as to the suitability of adding native plantings to check growth of knotweed.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

B. Harold and Juliet Dixon – 120 Point Isabella Road, Cotuit
Unauthorized alteration of a resource area, coastal bank by topping and limbing trees, leaving slash on the bank.

No one attended the meeting.

Issues discussed:

• Continued unauthorized cutting of coastal bank.

A motion was made to approve an amended enforcement order to address additional mowing and potted-plant debris left in area over top of bank beyond area demarcated with shrubs. Staff to arrange a site visit to define this line.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

C. James and Sarah O'Reilly – 185 Oak Street, West Barnstable SE3-3807 Violation of an ongoing condition of a certificate of compliance by paving driveway.

The O'Reilly's attended the meeting and were represented by Attorney Paul Tardiff.

Issues discussed:

• Paving of driveway beyond the scope of an order of conditions; leaching for pervious driveway runoff was the expectation.

A motion was made to amend the enforcement order requiring a notice of intent filing to be filed by November 19th, 2012, and allowing immediate temporary repair of the end of the driveway.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

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III WRITTEN WARNINGS

A. Colman Lalli – boat storage on beach grass

A motion was made to approve the warning letter, as written.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

The time was 10:24 AM

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