

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ted von Rosenvinge, James Smith, Bob Turner, Mike Reiner, Ed Schwarz and Sara Schlechter
Also Present: Tracy Kulikowski, Land Use Director, Town Attorney, Phil Pires and Dave Pattee, Conservation Planner

The regular meeting of the Weston Conservation Commission opened at 7:30 p.m.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Schwarz nominated Mr. von Rosenberg as Chairman and Ms. Schlechter as Vice-Chairman and Mr. Smith seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the Minutes from the August 27, 2019 and November 7, 2019 meeting and Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (5-0) [Turner abstain]

RECEIPT OF APPLICATION: TOWN OF WESTON (OWNER) WMC CONSULTING ENGINEERS (AGENT) CAVALRY ROAD, REPLACEMENT OF CAVALRY ROAD BRIDGE OVER SAUGATUCK RIVER

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application and Ms. Schlechter seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

Mr. Turner left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

DISCUSSION/DECISION: SUPPLEMENTAL SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION SITE STABILIZATION INSPECTION REPORT AND REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN, 41 NORFIELD WOODS ROAD (ROBERT J. CARR, P.E. AND ATTORNEY EDWARD LERNER REPRESENTING NAUSHIN SARFRAZ)

Robert Carr, Environmental Engineer, came forward and presented his report. He noted that they did some testing in early December and added the tow of the slope well (MW2), and measured depth to water in both wells and collected samples. He stated that the results for MW1 indicate that the results were similar to what they had back in August. Lead concentrations were non-detected this time. The well down slope MW2 tested better, there was no oil, petroleum or metals. He noted that the depth of well MW1 on December 9th was 34.12 ft. from the top of the casing so 31.5 ft. below grade and MW2 was 21.55 ft. about 19 ft. from grade to the water table. On December 23rd, MW1 was 30.96 ft., 29 ft. below grade and MW2 was 18 ft. below grade, noting that different weather on the testing days would result in the slight difference. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Carr then addressed the report dated 1/13/20 which was the seep sampling. He explained that they dug a pit under the seep to collect a sample and ran an analysis for the same compounds as the soil, metals, etc. They noticed during sample collection, a rotten egg odor with film on the

surface of the water. They had it analyzed for other additional compounds, and found fecal coliform and detergents, which is consistent with what you would see with a septic system. Mr. Carr noted that it is the only spot with seepage and it is not crossing over the property line. Discussion on the test results ensued.

Mr. Carr then noted the environmental work plan presented for the environmental personnel and inspector during the regrading activities. Mr. von Rosenvinge asked Mr. Carr to state the qualifications for the environmental personnel and he explained that they are Environmental Scientists with 2-3 years of experience working under the direction of an LEP. They have 3 in their office and have all been trained to identify these materials and contamination, OSHA trained and will be reporting to him. Mr. von Rosenvinge expressed concern with the plan of chipping of the wood and stump debris and being spread on the property. He stated that the scope should not be limited to just the materials listed in the plan. Mr. Schwarz questioned whether the plan is to remove all contaminated fill and Mr. Carr stated that is not the plan. As the re-grading is going on, any suspicious material will be removed and set aside for disposal. They will not be sifting through the fill to remove any possible contaminated materials. Discussion ensued.

Following discussion, Sal Triano, P.E. came forward to present his site grading plan. He noted that he has added and removed notes as suggested by the Commission at the last meeting. He pointed out the notation that any changes that the contractor may come across must be reviewed by the Commission. He then continued to highlight the points in the letter that addressed the Commission's concerns at the prior meeting. Mr. von Rosenvinge stated that the Mr. Triano should not limit the scope of the work to be done and should be giving a specific plan with a range of slope that the Commission feels comfortable approving. Discussion ensued.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Smith made a motion to enter Executive Session and Ms. Schlechter seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (5-0) Executive Session was entered at 8:58 p.m.

Present: von Rosenvinge, Schwarz, Smith, Reiner, Schlechter, Pattee, Kulikowski, Atty. Pires

MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. von Rosenvinge made a motion to exit Executive Session and Mr. Smith seconded. All in favor, the Commission came out of Executive Session at 9:28 p.m.

Mr. von Rosenvinge stated that they will not be approving a plan tonight but with some fine-tuning hopefully there will be a plan that the Commission can approve next month. He explained to Mr. Carr that, in regards to the re-grading and environmental work, the Commission would like a sign off at the end by him, the LEP. He noted that the Commission is not comfortable with the wood chips and would like to have language about suspicious materials that is inclusive and not limiting. Also, at the end of the project, they would like a professional opinion basically saying that he, Mr. Carr, has supervised the work done by the employees and a representation that the conditions were consistent with what has been represented to the Commission.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Schlechter seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Delana Lustberg
Recording Secretary