DATE APPROVED:

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES FOR JANUARY 28, 2021

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman, Ted von Rosenvinge, Vice-Chairman, Sarah Schlechter, Ed Schwarz, Jim Smith, Bob Turner, Holly Charlesworth and Mike Reiner

Also present: Tracy Kulikowski, Land Use Director and Keisha Fink, Conservation Planner

Mr. von Rosenvinge opened the virtual Special Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENTATION ON SOIL AND EROSION CONTROL BEST PRACTICES AND HAY BALE ALTERNATIVES

Chris Allen, Soil Scientist, from Land Tech explained that due to the shortage of hay bales, alternate siltation and erosion controls need to be used. He presented some examples of alternatives and the Commissioners asked clarifying questions.

The Special Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. von Rosenvinge opened the virtual Regular Meeting at 7:36 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ms. Schlechter nominated Mr. von Rosenvinge to be Chairman and Mr. Smith seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

Mr. Smith nominated Ms. Schlechter to be Vice Chairman and Mr. Reiner seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS

- 37 Hackberry Hill, Addition
- 85 Weston Woods Way, Single family house, septic system, well, driveway
- 197 Godfrey Road, addition, deck patio

MOTION TO RECEIVE

Ms. Schlechter made a motion to receive the application for 37 Hackberry Hill Road and Mr. Schwarz seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

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Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application for 85 Weston Woods Way and Ms. Schlechter seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

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Mr. von Rosenvinge made a motion to receive the application for 197 Godfrey Road and Mr. Schwarz seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

<u>DISCUSSION/DECISION CONT. DANIEL ROSENBERG & CHERYL SOKOLOW, 4</u> TIFFANY ROAD, ADDITION, DECK PATIO

Mr. Rosenberg noted that as requested, the surveyor has done the As-Built survey showing the deck and everything else. The Surveyor was also at the meeting and spoke to the current conditions of the site. The silt fences are in place and verified by staff and the Cultek has also been installed. Discussion ensued.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL

Ms. Schlechter made a motion to approve the revised grading plan for 4 Tiffany Lane prepared by Land Surveying Services LLC dated 1/18/21, subject to the Standard Conditions A-G and H. The vegetative buffer and rain garden as shown on the 2017 grading plan is incorporated into this plan also. Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

<u>DISCUSSION/DECISION: JESSICA STEIN, 43 TALL PINES DRIVE, POOL, POOL PATIO, EQUIPMENT PAD & RELATED SITE WORK</u>

Dean Martin P.E. and Chris Lang from Lang Pools presented the application. Mr. Martin explained that the proposal is for a 20' x 40' pool with a patio area around 3 sides. He noted that there are 2 wetland areas and identified those for the commissioners as well as the septic system and reserve areas. Mr. Martin also indicated the location of the silt fencing around the pool and construction areas and the temporary soil stock pile. He also explained that the cultek has been sized for the runoff from the patio area, noting the 4 cultek chambers and pointing out the location of the pool equipment to the south. Discussion ensued.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the application for a pool and patio as shown on plans prepared by Grumman Engineering dated 11/9/20, subject to Standard Conditions A-G. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All in favor (7-0).

DISCUSSION/DECISION: PAUL & JACQUELINE MARTIN (OWNER), JOHN KAESER (CONTRACT PURCHASER/AGENT) 45 RIDGE ROAD, SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE, SEPTIC SYSTEM, WELL, DRIVEWAY, POOL & ASSOCIATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS Keith Buda, P.E. from Pereira Engineering, LLC explained that this is a 2.69 acre parcel of undeveloped, forested, upland and wetlands. He explained that in 2006, the property was mitigated by the creation of wetlands in other areas on the property so they could install a gravel driveway to provide access to the upland area. Mr. Buda stated that the proposal is for a 5 bedroom house with an in-ground swimming pool and indicated the location of the septic system and reserve area which has been approved by WWHD. He further indicated the runoff storm water management system provided downgradient noting that it has been to handle a 50 year storm with 8 underground culteks. He also noted the erosion and sedimentation controls. Discussion ensued. Following discussion, the matter was continued to the next meeting.

<u>DISCUSSION/DECISION: TOWN OF WESTON, NORFIELD, WESTON & SCHOOL ROADS, SIDEWALK DEVELOPMENT PLAN FUNDED BY CT COMMUNITY</u> CONNECTIVITY GRANT PROGRAM

Holt McChord, P.E. explained the proposal and indicated the location of the wetlands and the path of the sidewalk all along where it comes out on School Road. He recommended that a silt fence with a gute core log would be sufficient sedimentation and erosion control. Discussion ensued.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL

Ms. Schlechter made a motion to approve the plan prepared by Richter & Cegan dated last revised 1/13/2, subject to the Standard Conditions A-G and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was voted on and carried (6-0 [vonRosenvinge abstain]).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the Minutes from the 10/22/20, 11/19/20 and 12/20/20 meetings and Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. von Rosenvinge made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Schwarz seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Delana Lustberg Recording Secretary