

ACTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
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AUGUST 7, 2013

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TOWN HALL - 472 MAIN STREET  
ROOM 204

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**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Terry Maitland, William Froberg, Tom Arnold, Andrew Magee, Amy Green, Jim Colman, Theresa Portante

**NATURAL RESOURCES DIRECTOR & RECORDING SECRETARY:** Tom Tidman

**VISITORS:** Lynette Fouser, Dale Cumming, Alex Ivanov, Ben Ewing

7:30 Continuation Notice of Intent - 12 Summer Street (010)

Commission continued Hearing to September 4, 7:15PM

7:45 Notice of Intent - 57 Hammond Street - Lynette Fouser (020, 021)

Ben Ewing of Stamski & McNary Engineering presented plans for replacement of an existing septic system, the addition of a screened porch and expansion of the existing driveway, within 100' of a wetland (town atlas plate D-3, parcel 35). The existing single family dwelling is entirely within the buffer zone. The existing septic system, located at the rear of the house, is in failure. The distance from the limit of project disturbance to the resource area is 11 feet. A new pump chamber will be added and a new leaching field, 75 feet from edge of wetlands, will be constructed in front of the house. A screened porch will be added at the rear of the house, 42 feet from wetlands. The existing lawn area adjacent to the driveway will be converted to a paved parking surface to accommodate two additional cars.

Mr. Maitland asked about the construction of the paved parking lot. Mr. Ewing explained that they would pave the lot such that drainage will be directed towards the stone retaining wall, running almost parallel to the BVW, 11 feet from wetlands.

Ms. Fouser added that the applicant would like to use cobble stone, a pervious surface, if it was affordable.

Mr. Ivanoff, an abutter, raised his concern about the stability of the existing stonewall.

Mr. Ewing responded that they would stay 1.5 feet away from the wall. The loam would be scraped away and the area stabilized in preparation for paving.

Mr. Ivanoff expressed concern about the pressure such compacting might exert on the area and asked if it would destabilize the stone wall.

Mr. Magee raised concerns about the setbacks.

Mr. Ewing explained that the existing house is 10 feet from wetlands, the existing granite walk is 10 feet from wetlands, and the new parking area will be 11 feet from wetlands.

Mr. Froberg inquired about the design of the septic system.

Mr. Ewing explained that a new pump chamber will be added at the rear of the house, and the existing pump chamber will be converted to a second septic tank. Effluent will be pumped to the new field in the front of the house. He also pointed out that they are awaiting Board of Health approval for the new system.

Mr. Ewing added further that a small portion of the wall will be removed to accommodate the new driveway.

Mr. Magee stated that the Commission would like to see pervious pavement used if at all possible.

8:25 Hearing closed.

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AGENDA  
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Applicant requests a continuance until August 21, 2013

7:45 Notice of Intent - 57 Hammond Street - Lynette Fouser (020, 021)

Replacement of an existing septic system, addition of a screened porch and expansion of the existing driveway within 100' of a wetland (town atlas plate D-3, parcel 35).

Notification - Central Street - National Grid - Anode Bed Replacement (030)

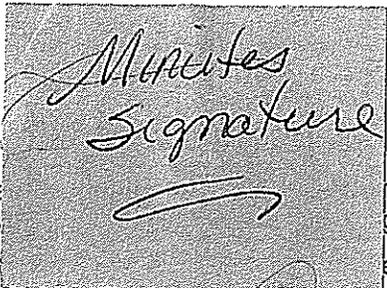
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- Arborwood Road 85-31 (040)
- Sara Jane Court - 294 Main - 85-1056 (041)
- 117 Central Street 85-19 (042)

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July 17 reviewed by AG, AM

Decision



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Mr. Magee conditions

conditions for plans as presented waiving special standard by-law of fact:

Commission

meets the set-back requirement for pre-existing structures according to the by-law but the Commission strongly encourages the applicant to seek alternative pervious pavement options.

Mr. Colman seconded; Unanimous.

Notification - Central Street - National Grid - Anode Bed Replacement (030)

No discussion.

Certificates of Compliance

- Arborwood Road 85-31 (040)  
Mr. Magee moved Mr. Colman 2<sup>nd</sup>; unanimous
- Sara Jane Court - 294 Main - 85-1056 (041)  
Mr. Magee moved Mr. Colman 2<sup>nd</sup>; unanimous
- 117 Central Street 85-19 (042)  
Held to next meeting pending inspection

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Mr. Magee moved to approved minutes of July 17, 2013; Ms. Green second, unanimous

8:45 PM Meeting adjourned

Terry Maitland  
Chairperson

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	001 - August 7 Agenda	naturalres	08/01/13	17 KB
	010 - Request for Continuance - 12 Summer Street	naturalres	08/01/13	274 KB
	020 - Notice of Intent - 57 Hammond Street	naturalres	08/01/13	5 MB
	021 - Notice of Intent Plan - 57 Hammond Street - 7-23-2013	naturalres	08/01/13	2 MB
	030 - National Grid Anode Bed Replacement Central Street - Courtesy Notification 07-24-2013	naturalres	08/01/13	2 MB
	040 - Request for Certificate - Arborwood Road - 85-31	naturalres	08/01/13	179 KB
	041 - Request for Certificate of Compliance - 294 Main Street - 85-1056	naturalres	08/01/13	256 KB
	042 - Request for Certificate of Compliance - 117 Central Street - 85-19	naturalres	08/01/13	440 KB