

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AMENDED AGENDA
MARCH 2, 2005

7:00 Preliminary Review - 315 Arlington Street – proposed addition

7:15 Notice of Intent – 29 Canterbury Hill Road (Lot 54) – Pulte Homes of New England. LLC
Notice of Intent – 27 Canterbury Hill Road (Lot 55) – Pulte Homes of New England. LLC
Stamski & McNary: Construction of two single family homes to be located at 27 & 29 Canterbury Hill Road within Robbins Mill Estates within 100' of a wetland.

7:30 Notice of Intent – 864 Main Street – George864 Main Street, LLC
Stamski & McNary: for the construction of a portion of a driveway within a riverfront area and a water main connection within 100' of a wetland and riverfront area.

7:45 Organic Field Maintenance - Mary Michelman
See attached "Protecting Local Water Resources by Amending Soil with Compost" article from *Land & Water*
➤ Encroachment Letter – 11 Captain Handley Road –drafted by Terry Maitland
➤ Night Sky - Naked Eye
Quail Ridge Country Club – ACES Concerns
See attached letter to Planning Board 2/22/05

MINUTES

January 19	comments received by	ME, JR, TM, ADM	signature
February 2	forthcoming		
February 9	comments rec'd by	ME, JR, ADM	
February 16	forthcoming		

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeffrey Rogers, Terry Maitland, Andrew Magee, Julia Miles, Michael Eder

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: Janet Adachi

CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATOR: Tom Tidman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Tom Tidman

VISITORS: David Stone, Mary Michelman

7:20 Preliminary Review - 315 Arlington Street – Mike Millett

Mr. Millett stated that is proposing an addition to the existing two bedroom cape. The proposed addition would not meet the setback from wetlands.

The Commission asked if the proposed addition could be built towards the road instead of towards the rear of the lot (wetlands).

Mr. Millett stated that he believes that he is limited by the setback requirements from the road.

The Commission stated that this is a difficult situation with no existing structures in the area of the proposed addition it doesn't fall under the exemption for pre-existing.

7:40 Notice of Intent – 29 Canterbury Hill Road (Lot 54) – Pulte Homes of New England. LLC

George Dimakarakos from Stamski & McNary presented plans for the construction of a single family home within 100' of a wetland. The limit of work is 77' from the edge of wetlands; siltation prevention will be provided.

Hearing no comments or questions, Mr. Rogers closed the hearing.

Decision – 29 Canterbury Hill Road (Lot 54)

Mr. Magee moved that the Commission issue a standard Order of Conditions for the plans as presented. Mr. Maitland 2nd; unanimous.

Notice of Intent – 27 Canterbury Hill Road (Lot 55) – Pulte Homes of New England. LLC

George Dimakarakos from Stamski & McNary presented plans for the construction of a single family home within 100' of a wetland. The limit of work is 77' from the edge of wetlands; siltation prevention will be provided. The grading for this lot does enter the common land.

Mr. Magee expressed concern regarding the grading onto the common land parcel associated with this lot and asked that Mr. Dimakarakos checks with the Planning Department.

Hearing no further comments or questions, Mr. Rogers closed the hearing

Decision – 27 Canterbury Hill Road (Lot 55)

Mr. Magee moved that the Commission issue a standard Order of Conditions. Mr. Maitland 2nd; unanimous.

7:30 Notice of Intent – 864 Main Street – 864 Main Street, LLC

George Dimakarakos from Stamski & McNary presented plans for the construction of a portion of a driveway within a riverfront area and a water main connection within 100' of a wetland and riverfront area. The parcel is located on Main Street at the corner of Eastern Road. They will be replacing the existing Kelaher Plumbing building with a new building facilitating six trade shops. The area within the outer riparian zone of the riverfront will have new pavement for a portion of the entry building and a sidewalk.

Landscape Architect, Kim Ahern, stated that the landscape plan will replace the existing evergreens with vegetation that has greater wildlife value.

7:52 Mr. Rogers closed the hearing.

Decision – 864 Main Street

Mr. Magee moved that the Commission issue a standard Order of Conditions. Mr. Maitland 2nd, unanimous.

7:45 Organic Field Maintenance - Mary Michelman

Ms. Michelman invited the Commission to an event regarding organic field maintenance on April 26 and would also like to have the Commission co-sponsor the event. It will revolve around 'why' we should protect water quality and resources.

The Commission agreed that it sounds like a good idea.

Mr. Magee moved that the Commission support and co-sponsor the organic field maintenance event. Ms. Miles 2nd; unanimous.

Encroachment Letter – 11 Captain Handley Road – drafted by Terry Maitland

The Commission reviewed the letter to be sent. Mr. Magee suggested some minor edits.

Conservation Land Use Request - Night Sky - Naked Eye

Mr. Tidman reported that a resident of Acton, Charles Brooks is requesting permission to use the Arboretum and NARA Park for observing the night sky. If permissible, he would like the Commission to provide a letter authorizing him to use the two sites at night for purposes of astronomy. He would inform the Police Department of the location and the hours he expects to be there before each night.

Mr. Eder suggested that Mr. Tidman check with the Police Department to make sure that they are okay with the idea, then the Commission should issue a letter to Mr. Brooks as described in his letter dated 2/22/05.

Quail Ridge Country Club (QRCC) – Acton Citizens for Environmental Safety (ACES) Concerns

Mary Michelman, from ACES, discussed the intent of the letter dated 2/22/05 that ACES sent to the Planning Board regarding QRCC.

Mr. Magee stated that Audubon International is a private company that is paid to review your golf course plans, operation and management. It is not to be confused with the Audubon Society, which is a different separate entity.

Mr. Eder stated that the Commission should have someone review the original filing for QRCC to see what was promised before the Order of Conditions was written and issued.

Mr. Tidman reported that representatives from QRCC will be at the next Commission meeting to answer questions.

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Mr. Eder moved that the Commission accept the minutes for January 19, 2005. Ms. Miles 2nd, unanimous.

8:55 Meeting Adjourned

J. Martland Acting chair
Jeffery Rogers
Chair

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