



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes March 15, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by chair Paul Byrne

Roll Call: Paul Byrne, David Mercer, Joe Rodrigues, Marianne Iarossi, Jason Weksner

Staff: Pam Helinek (Conservation Agent)

Public Hearings

54 Cherry Street – RDA

Present: Bruce Saluk

Documents:

- Existing Conditions Plan, EX, Detail Plan, C2: 54 Cherry Street; Prepared by Bruce Saluk & Associates, Inc.; dated 1/15/18; signed and stamped by Bruce M. Saluk, RLS #35415; scale 1"=30'
- Site Plan, C1: 54 Cherry Street; Prepared by Bruce Saluk & Associates, Inc.; revision 2/15/18; signed and stamped by Bruce M. Saluk, RLS #35415; scale 1"=30'

The applicant proposes to tie a sewer line into the sewer main, requiring a trench to be cut through a sidewalk in Bordering Land Subject to Flooding. Original elevations will be restored. Paul Byrne moved to issue a negative determination, second by Joe Rodrigues, vote 5-0-0.

Administrative Business

Violation update – 90 Cherry Street

Present: Jim Downing, Zachary Bemis

Documents:

- Site Plan, 90 Cherry Street; prepared by Engineering Design Consultants, Inc., signed and stamped by Walter M. Lewinski, PE#32327; dated 3/15/2018; scale 1"=30'

A survey of the new parking area was done showing that elevations in the flood plain were not altered in constructing the parking area. The property owner will submit an after-the-fact RDA for the work done. Joe Rodrigues requested that the stockpiles of soil be removed.

Discussion – 331 Central Street

A potential buyer asked the Commission if they would permit a retaining wall and regrading of the yard, 25 feet from the stream. The Commission said they would need to confirm that there were no wetlands around the stream but that can't be done until the snow melts.

Violation update – 295 Cox Street

Pam Helinek reported that the large piles of dirt which had been on the edge of the wetlands were moved back at least 10 feet and tarped before the storm events.

Minutes – Paul Byrne moved to accept the minutes of March 1, 2018. Second by Jason Weksner, vote 5-0-0.

Adjournment

Paul Byrne moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Marianne Iarossi, vote 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Public Presentation – What on Earth is Green Infrastructure?

The Commission hosted a workshop presented by MassAudubon and OARS. A number of community members attended.