

Essex Conservation Commission

February 4, 1992

Present: Canan Hewson, Chairman; David Folsom; Alan McCoy;
Edwin Perkins.

Meeting called to order at 8:12 p.m.

A public hearing was held at 8:12 p.m. under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Arthur Simonds covering construction of an addition to the existing dwelling within the buffer zone at 7 John Wise Avenue. Engineer Clay Morin represented Simonds. Morin said, "A portion of the proposed project will be within the buffer zone. The activity will be excavation, regrading and construction of a foundation and deck. The deck will be on sono tubes, but the addition will be on a poured foundation. The septic system is functioning fine at the moment, but an inspection is to be made to see if a new leaching field may be required outside of the buffer zone. The area is not marshy; it is a grassy area. The proposed siltation barrier is a fence and/or haybales, whatever is required by the Commission. The excavation material will be hauled off site. I would like to request some flexibility with placement of the siltation barrier, and that it go back to the stone wall instead of where it is shown on the plan." The Board then reviewed the Notice of Intent and accompanying plan.

Perkins moved to close the hearing at 8:24 p.m., seconded by McCoy, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A public hearing was held at 8:25 p.m. under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Kevin Street, covering construction of a gravel driveway and regrading within buffer zone at Wood Drive. Engineer Clay Morin represented Street. Morin said, "The majority of the project is outside of the buffer zone except for a swaled section of road through wetlands. We will be disturbing more than 1,000 square feet in the buffer zone so we filed a full Notice of intent. The siltation barrier will be a fence or staked haybales. We have to fill a small hollow and therefore we are proposing a 12" culvert pipe so water will continue to flow down to the wetlands. We took the route for the driveway as shown on the plan to avoid cutting down some large trees. If the road was directed outside of

the buffer zone we would lose about six large trees." Perkins said, "Where the property drops off, we do not know how much fill will be the issue. I feel a cross section is needed to determine the amount of fill going in." The Board expressed their concerns of siltation downslope to the wetlands. Howard Altholz, an abutter, asked if they were going to save any of the trees between his property and Street's. Morin said that no trees were being cut down on his side of the property. The Board felt they needed the following information to be provided: (a) cross section of the driveway, (b) height of cut and amount of fill, (c) a rough potential amount of run-off from the driveway, and (d) a continual line to be drawn of the buffer zone and not the broken line presently shown on the plan. McCoy said he would like some consideration to be given to the placement of a siltation barrier around the construction of the proposed dwelling even though it is outside of the buffer zone, because of the slope and the possibility of siltation.

Perkins moved to continue the hearing until February 18, 1992, at 8:00 p.m., so that further information may be obtained. The motion was seconded by McCoy, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A continuation of a public hearing was held at 8:50 p.m. under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Gerald Pelonzi, covering repair, reconstruction, and expansion of the existing subsurface sewage disposal system at 109 Eastern Avenue (Dexter's Hearthside). Charles Wear, of Carter and Towers Engineering Corp., represented Pelonzi. Wear said, "The current septic system is failing. There is an area called a wet area here, but I do not feel it is. I feel it is a septic system break out. The septic system is way undersized. On the reconstruction we will have three leaching fields. The location of the leach fields have been determined by soil samples. Leach field number 3 is not in the buffer zone but there will be some grading. To protect the wetlands we will be constructing a haybale barrier as shown on the plan, and it will remain in place until all work is completed. Some trees will have to be removed and we will plant winter rye for regrading until such time that we can plant. The Board of Health has approved the plans which they feel fall under the maintenance of an existing septic system." Hewson had concerns whether this would be in the ACEC area. It was noted that this was a failing system and as such would come under an emergency repair without the need to file a Notice of Intent. Wear said they felt it would be

better if they filed a Notice of Intent.

Perkins moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Folsom, with the Board voting unanimously in favor. The hearing closed at 9:00 p.m.

Engineer Clay Morin submitted a Notice of Intent for Walter Jewett for construction of a portion of a dwelling, driveway and retaining wall, filling and regrading within the 100 foot buffer zone at 57 Martin Street. The hearing will be held at 8:30 p.m. on February 18, 1992.

Peter Meyer met with the Board to submit a Request for a Determination of Applicabilty for Susan Dillon for the construction of a portion of an addition at 92 Pond Street. The Request will be heard at the meeting of February 18, 1992, at 9:00 p.m.

The Order of Conditions for Rebecca Richardson, Conomo Drive, were written. Perkins moved to approve the project of Rebecca Richardson, Conomo Drive, seconded by Folsom, with the Board voting unanimously in favor. Perkins moved to duplicate the old Order of Conditions for the new submittal and plan; seconded Folsom, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

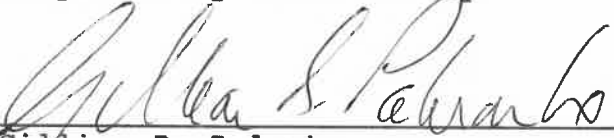
The Order of Conditions for Gerald Pelonzi, Dexter's Hearthside Restaurant, were written. Perkins moved to approve the project, seconded by Folsom, with the Board voting unanmously in favor.

The Order of Conditions for Arthur Simonds, 7 John Wise Avenue, were written. Perkins moved to approve the project, seconded by Folsom, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Perkins moved to adjourn, seconded by Folsom, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Gillian B. Palumbo

Attest:

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A G E N D A

- 8:00 p.m. ... Public Hearing - Arthur Simonds,
7 John Wise Avenue
- 8:15 p.m. ... Public Hearing - Kevin Street,
Wood Drive
- 8:35 p.m. ... Continuation of Public Hearing -
Dexter's Hearthside Restaurant
- 8:50 p.m. ... Clay Morin - submittal of Notices of
Intent for Walter Jewett and Louis
Rome
- 9:00 p.m. ... Peter Meyer for Susan Dillon, Pond
Street

Business:

Write Order of Conditions for Rebecca Richardson

Sign payroll voucher

Review correspondence