

Essex Conservation Commission

March 19, 1996 - Minutes

Present: David Folsom, Chairman, Arthur Hodges, Edwin Perkins, Peter Perrigo.

Meeting called to order at 7:55 p.m.

David Calder, Burnham Riggs, and Carol Carter met with the Board for an informal discussion on the reconstruction of a pier at Robbins Island.

The Commission was requested by Sebastian and Barbara Aparo to Determine the Applicability of the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, for the installation of a deep well at 11 Red Gate Road.

The Aparos did not attend the meeting. The Board was told at a prior meeting that in order for the Aparos to drill near the existing well, a platform would have to be built for the machinery. It was felt a new location further away from Chebacco Lake would avoid the necessity of building the platform. The Board then reviewed the specifications from Policy Well and Pump for the installation of the well, together with the Request and accompanying plan.

Perkins moved to issue a negative Determination of Applicability to Sebastian and Barbara Aparo, 11 Red Gate Road, providing a horseshoe of haybales are placed between the well and the trees, seconded by Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A public hearing was held at 8:05 p.m. under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by William Bancroft and Alice Murphy covering the construction of a single family dwelling, detached garage, utilities, and site grading at 189R John Wise Avenue.

Michael Juliano of Meridian Engineering represented Bancroft and Murphy. Juliano said the house and garage are being built well up north of the property. A silt fence is shown on the plan encompassing the entire work. The septic system is sized for a 5-bedroom house, but at present the house will have three bedrooms. The roof for the garage will be galvanized tin. The first phase of the project will be to construct the garage with living space above the garage. The house will then be completed while Bancroft and Murphy are

living above the garage. Hodges asked why the structure could not be completely outside of the buffer zone. Juliano said, "A portion of the property is an easement for William and Sheena Pollack who live in the home subdivided from this property. The Pollacks have a failed septic system and were looking for an area to place a new system." Juliano was then questioned about the roof and driveway run-off. He told the Board that run-off from the garage and driveway are designed to sheet flow. They are going with a 45 degree angle on the roof.

Perkins moved to close the hearing, seconded by Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A public hearing was held at 8:22 p.m. under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, on a Notice of Intent filed by Derek Brown of the Essex Water Quality Task Force covering the removal of 2200 square feet of purple loosestrife from a shallow freshwater pond at the corner of Harlow and Lufkin Streets, property owner Jessica Warren.

Hodges abstained from discussion because of a conflict of interest. Brown told the Board he would be taking out about 2200 square feet of purple loosestrife from the pond. The disposal method has not yet been decided. The removal method would be by hand using clam rakes. Once the loosestrife is removed, the following week he hoped to go in and plant the area with cat o' nine tails and other wetland vegetation. During the summer, he hoped to go in and cut off the heads of the purple loosestrife. Brown added that 2200 square feet is not the whole pond, but if the first phase of the project works well, then he will be filing again for the rest of the pond. A question was raised as to whether that portion of Mrs. Warren's property was under a conservation restriction. Brown said he did not know but would check, and if so, would make sure his project was approved by the Essex Greenbelt.

Perkins moved to close the hearing, seconded by Perrigo, with Folsom, Perkins and Perrigo voting in favor; Hodges voted present.

Charles Wyman of The Trustees of Reservations met with the Board to discuss the proposed conservation restriction on property owned by James Richardson, Island Road. Hodges removed himself from any discussion because of a conflict of interest. Wyman submitted a Municipal Certification of Public Interest and Conservation Restriction Field Inspection Form for the Board to review.

Perkins moved that the Conservation Commission approve the conservation restriction that James Richardson proposes to give to The Trustees of Reservations on property on Island Road, and that the Board of Selectmen be notified that the Commission recommends approval of said conservation restriction, seconded Perrigo, with Folsom, Perkins and Perrigo in favor; Hodges voted present.

The Order of Conditions was written for Derek Brown, Essex Water Quality Task Force.

Perkins moved to approve the project of Derek Brown, Essex Water Quality Task Force, as submitted in the Notice of Intent, for the removal of purple loosestrife from a freshwater pond at Harlow and Lufkin Streets, property of Jessica Warren, seconded Perrigo, with Folsom, Perkins and Perrigo voting in favor; Hodges voted present.

The Order of Conditions was written for William Bancroft and Alice Murphy, 189R John Wise Avenue.

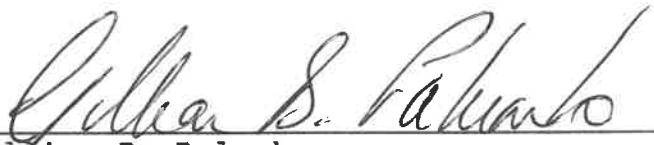
Perkins moved to approve the project of William Bancroft and Alice Murphy, for the construction of a single family dwelling with garage at 189R John Wise Avenue, as submitted in the Notice of Intent, seconded by Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

The Board reviewed the correspondence.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Prepared by:

  
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Gillian B. Palumbo  
Administrative Clerk

Attest:

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A G E N D A

Appointments:

- 7:30 p.m. ... Building permit application - Robert  
LeClair, Choate Street
- 7:35 p.m. ... Burnham Riggs, Robbins Island - dock  
maintenance
- 7:45 p.m. ... Request for a Determination of  
Applicability - Sebastian and Barbara  
Aparo, 11 Red Gate Road
- 7:50 p.m. ... Public hearing - William Bancroft and  
Alice Murphy, 189R John Wise Avenue
- 8:00 p.m. ... Public hearing - Derek Brown, Essex  
Water Quality Task Force - Pond,  
Harlow/Lufkin Streets
- 8:10 p.m. ... James Richardson - Conservation  
Restriction, Island Road

Business:

Review correspondence

Re-sign building permit application - Garcia Kimball,  
Maple Street

Next meeting - April 2, 1996