

Essex Conservation Commission

June 22, 1993

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

Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m.

Ed Becker of the Essex County Greenbelt Associaton met with the Board for further discussion on the property belonging to Christopher Phillips located on Eastern Avenue which is being placed in a Conservation Trust. Becker submitted a corrected copy of the Conservation Restriction to the Commission because he discovered there was an ACEC (Area of Critical Environmental Concern) restriction. Commission member Arthur Hodges said he could not vote on this as he was associated with the Greenbelt. Folsom said the most important thing to him was the field, because of the view to the river. The Board then reviewed the Conservation Restriction and accompanying plan.

Folsom moved to recommend to the Selectmen and to the State that this property be placed in conservation. The motion was seconded by Perrigo, with Folsom, Perkins and Perrigo voting in favor; Hodges voted present.

A Request for Determination of Applicability held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, made by Essex Landing, Inc, d.b.a. Tom Shea's Restaurant, 122 Main Street, was heard at 8:15 p.m.. Tom Goetner, representing Tom Shea's, told the Board they wished to remove the existing 1200 gallon cesspool and replace it with a 1500 gallon septic tank. At present the sewage flows to the cess pool, then to the 2000 gallon septic tank and then to the leaching pits. Goetner added that the contractor, R. B. Strong, had indicated that the work could be done in one day. The Board then reviewed the Request and accompanying plan.

Folsom moved that the Commission issue a negative Determination to Tom Shea's Restaurant, 122 Main Street, for removal of the existing cesspool and installation of septic tank. The motion was seconded by Hodges, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

John Coughlin met with the Board to discuss the addition of a 35' x 100' garage to the Quinn Bros. office complex at 239

Western Avenue. Coughlin told the Board, "Paul Sommer, of Sommer Environmental Technology, has flagged the wetlands, and found their location to be fairly even with the existing fence. Larry Graham, of C.T. Male, had concerns about the slope of the land, and felt the detention basin should be moved from the side of the building to the rear of the property. He is recommending this action because of the sensitivity of the area and feels that putting the detention basin in the rear is much more environmentally sound." Coughlin indicated that the garage will be strictly for the storage of vehicles. Upon discussion, the Board felt that an Abbreviated Notice of Intent should be filed for the retention basin.

Coughlin then introduced Peter Shea and told the Board they are considering the installation of storage units at the South Village Center on Eastern Avenue. He said he is at present under a state order to clean up the property, which is ongoing at the present time. Coughlin indicated he felt this use of the property would have less impact on the area. The driveway into the property has a temporary status, granted to Coughlin to allow him to reach the rear of his property, but he said he is working with the state D.P.W. to make it permanent.

N. Eckdahl met with the Board to submit a building permit application for review by the Commission for a 16' x 18' deck to the rear of his property at Town Farm Road. Perkins said he had checked the property and any wetlands were at least 300 feet from the property. The Board signed off on the building permit application.

Charles Sim met with the Board to submit a Request for a Determination of Applicability for the construction of a 40' x 33' garage on an existing foundation at 7 Main Street. The Request will be heard on the July 13, 1993, meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Richard Burns met with the Board to discuss the submittal of a Request for a Determination of Applicability for an addition at this property on Red Gate Road. He was told he would need to file the Request.

The Order of Conditions was written for John Kotch to bring a waterline down Belcher Street to his property.

Folsom moved to approve the construction of a waterline to the property of John Kotch on Belcher Street. The motion

was seconded by Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

A letter was received from Geotechnical and Environmental Services, Inc. asking if there were any critical wildlife habitats or fisheries within the vicinity of 66 Main Street. The Board felt there were both wildlife habitats and fisheries adjacent to the area and a letter will be sent so stating,.

The correspondence was reviewed.

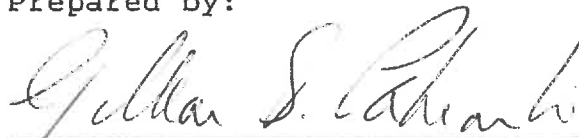
The Board voted to issue a Certificate of Compliance to Arthur Simonds for work completed at 7 John Wise Avenue under Order of Conditions File Number 21-215. Perkins said he reviewed the project with the Order of Conditions and found it was in compliance.

Attorney Carol Powers requested Certificates of Compliance for George Braqdon, 24 Apple Street, for projects under Orders of Conditions, D.E.P. File Numbers 21-153 and 21-176. Powers indicated that the projects under these Orders were never undertaken as they were for a subdivision which never materialized. The Board voted to issue Certificates of Compliance for Orders of Conditions Numbers 21-153 and 21-176.

Folsom then moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Perrigo, with the Board voting unanimously in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Prepared by:



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Attest:

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A G E N D A

Appointments:

- 7:50 p.m. ... Ed Becker, Essex County Greenbelt
- 8:00 p.m. ... Request for a Determination of  
Applicability - Tom Shea's  
Restaurant, Main Street
- 8:15 p.m. ... John Coughlin - garage construction,  
Quinn Bros., Western Avenue
- 8:30 p.m. ... Building permit review -  
N.L. Ekdahl, Town Farm Road
- Building permit review -  
Richard Burns, Red Gate Road

Business:

- Certificate of Compliance - Arthur Symonds, John Wise  
Avenue
- Certificates of Compliance - George Bragdon, 24 Apple  
Street
- Order of Conditions - John Kotch - Water main, Belcher  
Street
- Review correspondence