

Committee: Conservation Commission.

Date: October 19, 2017.

Time: 7:00pm.

Location: 2nd Floor Town Hall.

Members and Staff present: Carl Shreder, Rachel Bancroft, Rae Baldwin, Laura Repplier, Richard Mullin and Steve Przyjemski.

Minutes transcribed by Andrea Thibault.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Chairman Carl Shreder.

Conservation Commission Meeting

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203 East Main Street - G. Mello Disposal Corp. (GCC 2017-20; DEP#161-0651) NEW.
Wetland delineation.

Mary Rimmer, Wetland Scientist for the Applicant: We are requesting a confirmation of the wetland boundary. The delineation was done in November 2016 and reviewed in May 2017.

C. Shreder: As you are probably aware, we are past delineation window. We certainly would be willing to do it within the window.

M. Rimmer: We are requesting relief from that regulation. I do not feel that there is a Scientific basis for the regulation in this situation.

{Conservation Agent, Conservation Commission, Applicant's Wetland Scientist and the Applicant discuss reasons the applicant is requesting the waiver; alternative and other options for the Applicant's waiver request. Discussed is the protection of resources at the NOI phase and stages of critical documentation.}

J. Mello: We are up against deadlines. Our operating permit expires in the middle of April. The state will not renew the operating permit without the upgrades.

Applicant: Right now, there is no stormwater management system. When we file the NOI with you, we can come back with a stormwater management system that meets the state requirements.

{Conservation Agent, Conservation Commission, Applicant's Wetland Scientist and the Applicant discuss potential 3rd party review after the deadline.}

M. Rimmer: If you are able to get Gillian to agree on a contract amount and she was able to complete the review in the next 7-10 days would that work?

L. Repplier: Motion that the delineation window is extended for the 203 East Main Street Mello Disposal Corp project GCC 2017- DEP#...until October 31, 2017 providing that the delineation can be 100% completed by October 31 for the following reasons:

1. Because the applicant has been held up with other Boards which prevented them from coming before this Board before the closing of the window.
2. Because the vegetation is still viable this season.
3. Because they have a state permit which will expire before the re-opening of the window.
4. And, there is a question about the public health benefit of completing the project.

C. Shreder: If you lose your permit, what happens?

J. Mello: They do not renew the permit to operate and we would close.

L. Repplier: And because their expiry date is before we reopen the window; and because they are providing a necessary public service to the residents of the town.

N. Mullen: I second the motion as stated.

C. Shreder: We have a motion; and it has been seconded. We need to be clear about the date. That the field work is done by November 3.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

L. Repplier: Motion that we hire Gillian Davies from BSC to conduct the fieldwork at 203 East Main Street and to work with Steve in the field.

R. Bancroft: Second.

C. Shreder: We have a motion and it's been seconded for BSC to conduct a 3rd party review of this site and to have all of the fieldwork done by November 3, 2017.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

L. Repplier: Motion to continue 203 East Main Street GCC 2017-20; DEP#161-0651 to November 16, 2017 at 7:00pm.

R. Bancroft: Second.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

8 Oregon Street (GCC 2017-08; DEP#161-0842) NOI- (cont.) Construction of a new free standing garage with bonus room above, abutting 75 foot wetland buffer zone.

C. Shreder: I am going to reopen the NOI for 8 Oregon Street GCC 2017-08; DEP#161-0842. Construction of a new freestanding garage with bonus room above abutting 75' wetland buffer zone. We have been asked to continue this.

L. Repplier: Motion to continue 8 Oregon Street GCC 2017-08; DEP#161-0842 to November 16 at 7:15pm.

R. Baldwin: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

66 Parish Road (GCC 2016-21; DEP#161-0834) NOI-(cont.)

10 lot subdivision on a 40+ acre parcel. An eleventh lot, as well as the remaining 28+ acres, will remain as open space and be donated to the Town of Georgetown. No work is proposed within any Wetland Resource Area other than Riverfront Area, where proposed alteration is less than 10% of the total Riverfront Area on the lot (excluding Stormwater areas).

C. Shreder: Motion to reopen the NOI for 66 Parish Road. We have been asked to continue to December 14, 2017.

R. Baldwin: Motion to continue 66 Parish Road to December 14 at 7:15pm.

L. Repplier Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

2 Martel Way (GCC 2017- 12; DEP#161-0841) NOI- (cont.). Repair of a failed sanitary disposal system, portions of which fall within 100 feet of bordering vegetated wetlands.

R. Mullen: Motion to continue 2 Martel Way to November 16 at 7:30pm.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

135 Central Street- Discussion.

C. Shreder: We have 135 Central Street. Will the applicant please come up and identify yourself?

C. Woodstock: Yes, I am Chaz Woodstock.

R. Bancroft: I need to make it known that I have to abstain.

S. Przyjemski: This is a project that got an NOI and OOC in roughly 1998. The applicant purchased the property in 2015. No COC was ever issued on the property. Work was

done between then and now that was not in compliance with the OOC. It is impossible to determine what was done by the previous owner. Everything has been stopped since May.

{Agent, Conservation Commission and resident discuss what the permit required, limit of work, grading.}

L. Repplier: Motion to issue an EO and authorize the Agent to work out the details and restoration plan.

R. Mullen: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

4 Heather Road (GCC 2017-13; DEP#161-0845) NOI – (cont.). Addition of an open space deck at the rear of the house within the 100 foot wetland buffer.

C. Shreder: I will reopen the NOI for 4 Heather Road GCC 2017-13; DEP#161-0845.

S. Przyjemski: The three action items that the Conservation Commission asked for are done. The waiver they are requesting is reasonable. The mitigation that is being offered is awesome.

L. Repplier: Motion to approve NOI for 4 Heather Road GCC 2017-13; DEP#161-0845; including the restoration plan as signed by Steve dated October 19, 2017.

R. Bancroft: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

R. Bancroft: Motion to close the hearing for the NOI for 4 Heather Road GCC 2017-13; DEP#161-0845.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

R. Bancroft: Motion to approve the minutes as read by Steve.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

R. Bancroft: Motion to pay the bills as read by Steve.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

R. Bancroft: Motion to consider the changes minor to the plan for 88 Spofford Street as far as the septic tank, and not accepting the wetland line.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

6 Pineneedle Lane (GCC 2017-17; DEP#161-0846) NOI – (cont.). Application to install an in-ground swimming pool and patio within 100 feet of bordering vegetated wetlands.

C. Shreder: I will reopen the NOI for 6 Pineneedle Lane GCC 2017-17; DEP#161-0846.

{Greg Hochmuth, Williams and Sparagus, Applicant, Conservation Agent and Conservation Commission discuss revisions to the plan, proposed mitigation with planting, moving the current no cut boundaries closer to the pool.}

S. Przyjemski: The incorporated everything the Commission discussed at our last meeting with them.

R. Bancroft: Motion on 6 Pineneedle Lane regarding the application; 9-22-2017 plot plan; to install the in ground pool and the revised plan, and not accepting the wetland line.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

N. Mullen: Motion to close the hearing for 6 Pineneedle Lane GCC 2017-17; DEP#161-0846.

L. Repplier: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

National Grid (GCC 2017-18; DEP#161-0849) NOI – (cont.) A fence and pipe flow device will be constructed at culvert running underneath the utility right of way to limit flooding in the area caused by beaver dams at the culvert. The device will consist of a semi-circular fence surrounding the upstream end of the culvert with a 12-inch pipe extending 20 feet upstream and a domed intake fence surrounding the pipe opening. Project is located at Utility Right of Way Northeast of Thurlow St.

C. Shreder: I would like to reopen the continued NOI for National Grid (GCC 2017-18; DEP#161-0849).

S. Przyjemski: The National Heritage letter has come in. There are no issues.

L. Repplier: Motion to approve the NOI for National Grid GCC 2017-18; DEP#161-0849.

R. Bancroft: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

L. Repplier: Motion to close the hearing for the NOI for National Grid GCC 2017-18; DEP#161-0849.

R. Bancroft: Second.

Motion carries 4-0; 1 abstain.

L. Repplier: Motion to adjourn.

N. Mullen: Second.

Motion carries 5-0; unanimous.

Next Meeting Dates: December 14.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

Documents and Other Exhibits used at meeting will be available for review at the Conservation Commission Office.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Next meeting:

Date: _____ December 14, 2017 _____

Time: _____ 7:00pm _____

Place: _____ 2nd Floor Meeting Room _____

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman: _____
(Signature)