

DRAFT VIEW

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2018

Members Present: Matthew Puntin, Mark Curtin, Amanda Hamilton, Tracy Remelius, Barbara Palmer, April Curtin (Clerk)

Public Members: Charles Slater, Jr., Susan Litowitz, Jim Hill, Susan Korte, Carol Schaeffer, Laurie McDarry, Michael Kulig, Tom Ryan, Everett Fennelly, Michael Curtin

Matthew Puntin made a motion to open the meeting at 7:07

Public Hearing – RDA Application (Firehouse) - Matthew made a motion to begin with the Public Hearing for the RDA Application for the firehouse, with was approved by the other conservation commission members as well as the public. Matthew asked Charles Slater, Jr. to explain the project. Charles explained that they would like to build on the existing footprint. He explained an old plan that was drawn up in 2006 and renewed in 2009. He said the flooring in the front was replaced about 3 years ago, the back section is sinking in, there is a crack in the foundation, and the chimney is separating from the building. The fire department would like to rectify this by demolishing the meeting room and add a bay in its location and a second floor which would then become the meeting room. He said he spoke with Larry Gould and he said there does not need to be an outdoor staircase leading to the second floor meeting room. The plan submitted proposes a 22 X 40 building and the assessors' property card shows the current structure is 20 x 45. Charles Slater, Jr. stated that the chimney should be considered part of the footprint which Matthew Puntin and the other members agreed. Matthew Puntin asked if Charles Slater, Jr. knew if it was in a flood plain but Charles Slater, Jr. was not sure. Matthew Puntin asked that this be researched because this is pertinent information to decisions. Barbara Palmer asked if there would be changes to the driveway and Charles Slater, Jr. stated that there would be a bay opening to the North of the building so they would have to raise to grade. Matthew Puntin let him know if in a flood plain, this could change things. Matthew Puntin made a motion to continue the meeting till April 26, 2018 on the condition that Charles Slater, Jr. provide a Site Plan that addresses Existing Conditions, building location, driveway, flood plain, and to draw what is proposed. This was seconded by Amanda Hamilton and voted unanimously amongst the other board members.

Public Hearing NOI 35 Cooper Creek Continued from March 8, 2018 – Michael Kulig provided the board with a response letter following the previous meeting on March 8, 2018 as well as an updated site plan dated 3/19/2018, signed and stamped by Michael Kulig. Michael Kulig stated that DEP asked that the rocks be removed that are currently under the existing dock. The new dock would be 5' wide x 50' long with $\frac{3}{4}$ " spacing between deck boards. The dock is a removable dock. Barbara palmer questioned whether the footings would be removed when the dock is removed. Carol Schaefer stated they would come out with the dock. The footings would be of minimal disturbance. The new structure would follow the existing footprint. The new septic

is out of the buffer zone. They would also be doing work to improve the bank. When open to public comment, Jim Hill, direct neighbor at 37 Cooper Creek felt the dock is long but it is understandable due to the shallow conditions in that location and everything appears to be within code so they as neighbors support this project. Matthew Puntin made a motion to approve the order of conditions with permitted alteration to the bank being 10 linear feet and bank replacement permitted at 5 linear feet. This motion was seconded by Mark Curtin and voted unanimously amongst the board members. All members signed the Order of Conditions and Mike Kulig was given the original copy.

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes from the March 8, 2018 meeting were approved.

Mail: Eversource provided us the herbicide annual letter with nothing noted at this time for the Town of Tyringham

No other business was brought before the board.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Minutes Approved:

Matthew Puntin, Conservation Commission Chair

Date: