



# CITY OF HAVERHILL CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES



## MEETING DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

“Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 this meeting of the Haverhill Conservation Commission, including the list of public hearings, will be conducted via remote participation. No in person attendance of members of the public will be permitted but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the order. A reminder that persons who would like to virtually attend this meeting while in progress can properly do so by joining the meeting at the following URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84291820471> (Passcode 206268). Members of the public attending this meeting virtually will be allowed to make comments if they wish to do so during a portion of the hearing designated for public comment by using the raise hand button and waiting for the chair. I hereby call this meeting of the Haverhill Conservation Commission to order under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40 under the City of Haverhill municipal ordinance Chapter 253 on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.”

Present: Oliver Aguilo (OA), Lisa DeMeo (LD), Jen Rubera (JR), Clerk Tom Wylie Ed. D. (TW), and Chairperson Fred Clark (FC)

Absent: Evan Barman (EB) and Harmony Wilson (HW)

Also Present: Robert E. Moore Jr., Environmental Health Technician (RM)

“At this time the Commission wishes to inform you that should an item of business be acted upon on this meeting and you wish to be notified in writing that an appeal has been filed, you must give your name and address to the Conservation Dept staff immediately following the action of that item of business so that you may follow the appeal process. You may submit your name and address via email to [conservation@cityofhaverhill.com](mailto:conservation@cityofhaverhill.com). Please identify your items of interest in the subject line. Thank you for your cooperation in implementing this policy. Please note that this meeting is being recorded. As always, the Conservation Dept. staff is available to answer any questions pertaining to all the Commission's actions.”

## CONTINUANCES & WITHDRAWALS

### 2.1. #33-1565 City of Haverhill for Rosemont Street Bridge (ROW)

Summary: FC read comments from RM.

Action: TW moved that they continue this to the next meeting. Seconded by JR. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

### 2.4. #33-1569 Bohler Engineering for Farrwood Dr (Parcel ID: 770-779-74) Verification of the validity of delineated wetland resource area boundaries

Summary: FC read comments from RM.

Action: TW moved that they continue this to the May 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. Seconded by LD. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### 1. REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY

#### 1.1. Mark Sullivan for 95 Lake St (Parcel ID: 588-422-16) Garage addition with accessory unit Plans and Documents:

- RDA Application Materials, dated 4.4.2024

Summary: Mark Sullivan from 95 Lake Street gave an overview of the project. The house is within the 100' wetland buffer. FC read comments from RM. LD asked if the existing house is within the 100' buffer. RM said the gable size is ~10' within the buffer. LD asked if there were conditions on the house. RM said it was built in 1975 which predates anything we would have put on it. FC read recommendations from RM.

Action: TW moved that they issue a Negative Determination option 3 to include all comments read from RM. Seconded by JR. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

#### 6.4. Greenbelt presentation of Conservation Restriction & Memorandum of Understanding, Parsonage Hill

Action: JR made a motion to move item 6.4 up in the meeting. Seconded by LD. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2 Approved.

Summary: Vanessa Johnson-Hall from Greenbelt presented. VJ said Haverhill needs to show the state that they have purchased the conservation restriction for \$320,000 in order to get the \$217,600 from the land grant. The memorandum of agreement is presented and is still under legal review from the city. Second piece is the conservation restriction - this needs legal review from the city. The state has authorized to move forward on getting signatures.

Action: LD moved to accept the CR being granted by Greenbelt to the commission and accept the conservation restriction contingent upon approval of the final draft by the City Solicitor. Seconded by JR. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

### 2. NOTICE OF INTENT

#### 2.2. #33-1566 GR Development LLC for 1186 Main St (Parcel ID: 637-2-31) Redevelopment of commercial property with a new car wash

##### Plans and Documents:

- Notice of Intent application materials, dated 3.12.2024 (Norse)
- Site Development Plans, dated 2.16.2024 (GPI)
- O&M Plan, 2.16.2024 (GPI)
- Stormwater Management Report, 2.16.2024 (GPI)

Summary: Gary Piccirillo from GPI located at 44 Stiles Road Salem, NH presented. LD inquired about how well the existing stormwater infrastructure has been maintained. LD asked for the construction entrance plan to be added. LD asked where the water runoff will go if water is used as a demolition method. RM said the detention pond will come in handy, the pond is in need of maintenance. LD would like to add to note #10, to include verbiage saying they will log weekly and "within 24 hours of a storm." LD asked that the annual O&M logs be submitted to the city. RM said they have a standard in affect for that. LD asked who reviews the stormwater report design – it is done by RM with CEI. FC asked if they were able to add in more fencing. They were and GP explained. GP is going to look into the trash prevention plan. FC read comments/recommendations from RM.

Action: TM made a motion to move this item to the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Seconded by JR. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

### **2.3. #33-1568 Mark Abare for 100 Lake St (Parcel ID: 539-439-70) Residential Addition**

#### Plans and Documents:

- Notice of Intent Application Materials, dated 4.4.2024 (Andover Consultants)
- Site Plan, dated 3.25.2024, revised 4.17.24 (Andover Consultants)

Summary: Dennis Griecci from Andover Consultants located at 1 East River Place in Methuen, MA presented. LD asked to clarify why one pipe is perforated and the other is solid. DG explained. FC recommended 4x4 post with a placard every 50'. DG said that should be fine. RM recommended the signage from flag 3a through flag 17a. FC read comments/recommendations from RM.

Action: TM moved issuance of an OOC approving the project with the Commission's standard conditions for buffer zone projects, in addition to all comments regarding signage read into the record tonight. Seconded by LD. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

### **3. REQUEST TO AMEND A FINAL ORDER OF CONDITIONS**

None Scheduled

## **OTHER BUSINESS (NON-HEARING ITEMS)**

### **4. EXTENSIONS AND CERTIFICATES**

#### **4.1. Certificate: #33-1033 Dennis Lamarco for 46 Acorn Street**

Summary: FC read comments/recommendations from RM.

Action: LD moved that they issue a complete certification to include all comments read into the record tonight. Seconded by JR. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

### **5. ENFORCEMENT**

None at this time.

### **6. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **6.1. Open Space and Recreation Plan Update**

Summary: RM said the survey is going to close on Monday, and they are approaching about 800 surveys so far. They were able to get the surveys in Spanish and Portuguese. The goals and objectives will go back out to the public to try and get a few more comments. The goal is to have a draft plan sometime in June to be eligible for the land and park grant funding.

#### **6.2. Update on Conservation Commission and Conservation Partner Appointments – Appointments made April 9<sup>th</sup>.**

Summary: FC said they have some new commission members and partners that are hitting the ground running.

**6.3. DEP's Climate Resiliency 1.0 regulation package** (Comments due by April 30th)

Summary: FC read comments from RM. LD started looking at the proposed regulatory changes from MSMCP. LD said MASS DOT is not happy with changes about paving, and she believes that they should submit comments. RM asked if comments could be sent to him by the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**6.5. Conservation Calendar Update** – Jen Rubera to provide update

Summary: JR gave an update on the calendar, most of the months are done. The next step is working on the Layout, and they would like to get them translated. JR is working on finalizing a few months for the next meeting.

**7. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Summary: FC read comments from RM.

Action: LD moved to accept the 03-28-24 minutes. Seconded by JR. Clerk called role: OA-yes, LD-yes, JR-yes, TW-yes, FC-yes. Motion passed 5:0:2. Approved.

**8. ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned.