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Conservation Commission Minutes 05/05/2011

Arlington Conservation Commission
Minutes
May 5, 2011

Mr. Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Town Hall Annex. Present were Nathaniel Stevens, David White, Charles Tirone, Catherine Garnett and Curt Connors of the Commission. Karen Skinner-Catrone, Noamit Armony, Jim Tsoukalas, Brian Knowles, and Catherine Cahill were also in attendance.

7:45 pm – Commission Business

Mr. Tirone asked if the Commission would like to host an **erosion control class**, offered for free by MACC. The Town could invite other nearby communities to attend it as well. Mr. Tirone will discuss with MACC.

8pm **Discussion-** Wellington Park tennis courts, landscaping plan

The Commission reviewed the revised landscape plan that shows two planting areas in the Riverfront Area. The plants suggested included forsythia, and board would like to see this replaced with a native species such as spicebush or blueberry. Ms. Garnett will investigate an appropriate replacement and report back to the Commission.

8:30pm **Working Session** – 63 Sunnyside Ave

The homeowner presented plans to construct a 350 sf addition to the rear of this house. The addition would be located just outside the floodplain while a new deck would be located just inside the floodplain but with open footings underneath.

The Commission asked where gutters would flow to, and what the lot contours are.

8:45pm **Discussion** - 42 Spy Pond Parkway

The homeowners nephew, Mr. Tsoukalas, attended the meeting to discuss work on this property. An outside underground fuel tank was pulled out of the ground in March and subsequently found to be leaking. The contractor has submitted a request for an Emergency Certificate to allow for the removal of the contaminated soil.

Ms. Beckwith had instructed Mr. Tsoukalas to file for permits prior to the work taking place as it was within 100 feet of Spy Pond.

The Commission asked if the site was stabilized. Mr. Tsoukalas said yes. The Commission directed Mr. Tsoukalas to hire an environmental consultant to file a permit for this work, to convey who is the LSP and forward immediately to Ms. Beckwith any information compiled for the 21E process.

White/Connors motioned to issue an Enforcement Order for the work without a permit within 100 feet of Spy Pond, to stabilize site and appear at the next meeting with an LSP; motion passed, with Mr. Tirone abstaining.

9pm **Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation** – Lot E Dothan St

At the applicant's request this item was continued to 6/2/11 by unanimous vote.

9:15pm **Notice of Intent** – 63 Beverly Rd

The consultant will submit a revised plan sheet with changes to the stormwater system, and included details on its installation, along with a construction access plan.

The Commission asked that if there are any stormdrains in Beverly Rd that they have siltsacks installed in them. They will schedule a sitewalk after the new information is received.

Connors/Tirone motioned to continue the hearing to 6/2 at 8pm; motion was unanimously approved.

Commission Business (cont.)

Mr. White asked the Commission if it would approve installing 500 ft of water pipe to allow for a spigot to **water** the new habitat garden at Arlington Reservoir so as to facilitate watering the new plant material. DPW is willing to do the work if we paid for the pipe, roughly \$1500.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Corinna Beckwith
Commission Administrator