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Conservation Commission Minutes 06/02/2011

Arlington Conservation Commission
 Minutes
 June 2, 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. Chris Naylor, Elaine Coleman and Michelle Durocher, appointed to new positions on the Commission, attended. Also present were Ann Marton, Jonathon Moore, Kevin Hoag, Jane Howard, and Ilya Tsymbal.

7:45 pm – Commission Business

White/Connors motioned to approve the 5/19 **minutes** with edits; motion passed unanimously.

The Con Com is interested in inviting MACC to hold an **erosion control workshop** here in Arlington. Mr. Stevens will coordinate this with Michelle at MACC for a weekday evening in the fall.

8pm **Notice of Intent** – 63 Beverly Rd

This hearing is continued at the request of the applicant to the 6/16/11 meeting at 8pm. The Commission has not received the requested additional information from the applicant.

8:15pm **Abbreviated Notice of Intent** – water line for Reservoir habitat garden

Mr. White presented the project to install a 1 inch diameter water line from Lowell St to the emergency spillway at the Reservoir Dam. The trench will be 1-2 feet deep and 1-2 feet wide. The work will take approximately 2-3 days, performed sequentially, as the line is installed the trench is backfilled immediately. The line will end in a locked faucet, one of the garden volunteers will keep the key. The line will be 500 feet long. The route is shown in the application plan, running generally alongside the access road (on the side away from the pond) but looping around tree roots as necessary.

Connors/Garnett motioned to close the hearing; motion passed unanimously, David White abstaining and recusing himself from deliberations.

Tirone/Connors motioned to approve the project with the condition to reseed the trench area within 1 week of the work; motion passed unanimously, David White abstaining.

8:30pm **Notice of Intent** - 42 Spy Pond Parkway

Mr. Tirone recused himself from this hearing due to a conflict of interest and left the meeting room.

Ms. Marton presented the work that removed a leaking underground storage tank (after the fact) and proposed remediation measures to be done. The remediation at this point will consist of removal of approximately 20 cubic yards of oil contaminated soil and any visibly contaminated groundwater. These will be moved offsite for disposal and/or treatment as allowed by the MCP.

The erosion control line will need to be adjusted to allow for this work. The Commission asked for a revised plan showing the new line and the location of any groundwater monitoring wells that will be installed at the site. The

Commission also asked for any documents or reports that will be filed under the MCP.

Mr. Naylor asked if the groundwater was at the level of the tank. The data in the NOI seemed to suggest this. The tank contractor said the tank was just at the groundwater elevation when it was excavated.

Mr. Connors asked what triggered the MCP notification. The soil test of 181 ppm VOC found on March 21st was the trigger. The fire department attended the tank pull which was done by hand.

Garnet/Connors motioned to close the hearing; motion passed unanimously (Mr. Tirone recused).

White/Garnett motioned to approve the remediation project with the conditions to provide a revised erosion control plan, well locations and all other MCP documents; motion passed unanimously (Mr. Tirone recused).

8:45pm **Discussion** – 59 Beverly Rd, dock proposal

Mr. Tsymbal is looking at new dock systems to replace his existing dock and is seeking guidance on the design, a modular system that would stay in the water year-round.

He brought specs from the dock manufacturer but the board had more questions on the characteristics of the shoreline and slope.

The Commission also asked for photographs of the shoreline. Mr. Tsymbal said he would return with this information.

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

Ms. Beckwith completed her site inspection for this application, and the applicant wishes to schedule another site walk to review this information. Ms. Beckwith will also forward her report to the board.

White/Tirone motioned to continue this hearing to 6/16 at 8:30pm; motion passed unanimously.

Commission Business (cont.)

Ms. Beckwith reported on her site walk to **34 Forest St** to discuss runoff controls. Ms. Beckwith will check on any conditions in the Determination of Applicability. The Commission intends to draft a written response to provide direction and will discuss this matter further at its next meeting, 6/16.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Corinna Beckwith
Commission Administrator