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Conservation Commission Minutes, October 20, 2005

ARLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

OCTOBER 20, 2005

Mr. Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Town Hall Annex. Present were Nathaniel Stevens, Timothy Sullivan, David White, William O'Rourke, Catherine Garnett, Ellen Reed, and Judith Hodges, of the Commission. Helene Hall and Eugene O'Neill were present for the 0 Spy Pond Parkway proposal. Ti Johnson, Leo Corsetti, Gary Larson and Susan Willis were present for the 22 Mill St proposal.

7:30 p.m. - COMMISSION BUSINESS

Reed/Sullivan approved the 10/6 minutes with minor amendments from Mr. O'Neill; motion passed unanimously.

7:45pm 22 MILL ST – NOTICE OF INTENT for installation of a parking kiosk and related work

The parking lot behind the sporting goods store is owned by 22 Mill St. They are proposing to install a parking control structure in order to utilize this lot for their customers. The work consists of a small wooden kiosk on a concrete pad, including electrical service in a 12 inch wide, 2 foot deep trench. The trenching might optimistically take only 2 days of work. The traffic island will not be reconfigured. The floodplain in the area is probably much lower than what is mapped for FEMA 1982 since the local constriction on Mill Brook was the entryway ramp to 22 Mill St and it was reconfigured wider in the early 90's (not increased in height). The owner reported that the lower patio never floods.

White/Hodges motioned to close the discussion and vote on the proposal; motion passed unanimously.

O'Rourke/Garnett motioned to approve the work as proposed; motion passed unanimously.

8:00 pm 0 SPY POND PARKWAY – NOTICE OF INTENT for a new single family home

Mr. Stevens re-opened the hearing which was continued from 10/6/05.

Ms. Beckwith reported that Ms. MacGregor has the site flagged and staked for a site walk. The Commission agreed to meet at the site on October 28 at 8:15am.

White/O'Rourke motioned to continue the hearing to November 17 at 8pm to allow for the site walk and the submission of this additional information; motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSION BUSINESS (cont.) –

Mr. White reported on a site walk on Turkey Hill regarding public access to the top of the hill around the MWRA water tank. Mr. White has drafted a thank you letter to MWRA from the Conservation Commission for cooperating so well.

Ms. Hodges reported on the condition of 53R Park Ave. The lot had lobster crates, gasoline cans, fencing piled on it. Ms. Hodges ran into the gentleman we had spoken to before (who owned Paul Revere Oil Company, now out of business). The brook also has lots of debris in it.

Mr. Stevens instructed Ms. Beckwith to contact Ron Santasuosso about the poor condition of the tiger cage (the trash grate inlet to the drainage structure at the downstream end of Geri's Brook, at the Bow St entrance to the bikepath).

The Commission voted to convene at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Corinna Beckwith
Administrator