Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes April 8, 2008

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on April 8, 2008 in the Lakeville Town Office Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Orrall at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Bob Bouchard, Joe Chamberlain, Randall Kenney, Emery Orrall and Martha Schroeder. Jennifer Jewell, recording secretary was also present. Michael Toole was absent with prior notice.

7:00 P.M. – Highland Road

Butler

Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to May 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

7:04 P.M. – 63 Highland Road/Lot 3

Turner

Chairman Bouchard read the legal notice. John Marchand, from Outback Engineering, and Paul Turner presented a Notice of Intent for the construction of a single family home. There was a review of the plans. A portion of the house and grading for the backyard fall within the buffer zone. It was stated that the stone wall would serve as the limit of clearing in the back yard and that no future work is proposed. Site elevations were reviewed. It was decided that hay bales would be used as a barrier to prevent siltation through a breach in the stone wall. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED:

To close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with the following special conditions:

1.) The Order of Conditions must be recorded at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds and a stamped receipt returned to the Lakeville Conservation Commission (LCC) before work begins.

2.) Haybale/Siltfence line to be installed and inspected by the LCC agent prior to the start of any activity and remain in place until all disturbed areas have been stabilized.

3.) Haybales must be installed at the breach in the stone wall 4.) The homeowner must adhere to organic lawn care standards.

5.) Access to the property will be granted to the LCC and/or its agents, for site inspections, to determine that the project is in compliance with this Order of Conditions. Unanimous vote.

59 Highland Road/Lot 1

SE 192-546

Turner

The Commission reviewed a Request for a Certificate of Compliance. Member Chamberlain reviewed a site visit. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Bouchard the Commission

VOTED: To issue a Certificate of Compliance for Lot 1/59 Highland Road. Unanimous vote.

7:21 P.M. – 97 Highland Road

Hedges

Ben Gilmore and Stephen and Laurice Hedges were present for the discussion. There was a review of the revised plans reflecting the bridge detail. The location of the proposed replication area was discussed. Stones will be removed from the proposed riding ring and the surface will be replaced with sand. There was discussion regarding stream flow and it was noted that the proposed work would be done in the summer or fall. Mr. Gilmore stated that due to a conversation with Patty Kellogg at the Department of Environmental Protection a 401 Water Quality Certificate would not be filed as it was not necessary for an alteration of this size. The vegetation for the berm adjacent to the manure pile was discussed. It was stated that the area should be monitored for invasives. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Kenney the Commission

VOTED: To close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with the following special conditions:

1.) The Order of Conditions must be recorded at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds and a stamped

receipt returned to the Lakeville Conservation Commission (LCC) before work begins.2.) Haybale/Siltfence line to be installed and inspected by the LCC agent prior to the start of any activity and remain in place until all disturbed areas have been stabilized. 3.) The replication area must be monitored for invasive species 4.) The replication area must be monitored by a wetlands scientist for two seasons and reports must be submitted seasonally to the LCC. 5.) A status report of the replication area, completed by a wetland scientist, must be submitted to the LCC when a Certificate of Compliance is requested. 6.) A vegetated berm must be planted to separate the manure pile from the grazing area. 7.) Access to the property will be granted to the LCC and/or its agents, for site inspections, to determine that the project is in compliance with this Order of Conditions. Unanimous vote.

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Dave Varga, from BSC Group was present for the informal discussion. Mr. Varga stated that most issues have been addressed and there are only a few outstanding items. It was noted that the applicant's representative does not feel the project is under the jurisdiction of the Natural Heritage program while Mr. Varga maintains that it is and recommends that the Commission not close the hearing until this issue is resolved. Mr. Varga reviewed the outstanding items to be addressed. Member Bouchard discussed the cutting of vegetation adjacent to the irrigation pond. Lot drainage and ground water depth were reviewed. Mr. Varga will forward a proposal for the additional funds necessary to complete the project.

8:00 P.M. – Myricks Street

Stagecoach

William Manganiello, Attorney, Joe Abbonatto, applicant and Dave Varga, BSC Group were present for the discussion. There was a review of the report from BSC Group. Mr. Varga questioned the location of a pond on the property and questioned whether the pond was located on the Order of Resource Area Delineation. The stream and associated ponding was discussed. Mr. Manganiello stated that this portion of the property is under a permanent Conservation Restriction and noted the difficulty of adjusting the plans at this time. It was suggested that the ponding area be staked in the field during construction. It was noted that the condominium association is responsible for all sinage. There was a review of the suggested special conditions on pages 6, 8 & 14 of the report. Mr. Varga noted that the drainage system, as originally designed, will overflow in large storms and recommended that an additional set of catch basins be installed 25' from the control structure near station 0+40. The Commission requested an 11" x 14" copy of the plans and a copy of the Drainage Addendum dated April 13, 2007. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Bouchard the Commission

VOTED:

To close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with the following special conditions: 1.) The Order of Conditions must be recorded at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds and a stamped receipt returned to the Lakeville Conservation Commission (LCC) before work begins; 2.) Haybale/Siltfence line to be installed and inspected by the LCC agent prior to the start of any activity and remain in place until all disturbed areas have been stabilized; 3.)Access to the property will be granted to the Conservation Commission and/or its agents, for site inspections, to determine that the project is in compliance with this Order of Conditions; 4.) All conditions as highlighted in the BSC Group report dated April 7, 2008 as amended and discussed; 5.) The owner of the property must adhere to organic lawn care standards. Unanimous vote. 4 in favor. Member Kenney abstained. Motion carried.

Route 44/Harding Street

<u>McGee</u>

Matthew Watsky & Aza Minz from SITEC Engineering, Karen McGee, owner and Dr. John Jahoda were present for the discussion. Ms. McGee wishes to modify the existing Conservation Restriction (CR) on the property. There was a review of the plans, site photos and the proposed changes. Dr. Jahoda discussed the feasibility of vernal pool replication. Site photos of replication areas were reviewed. There was discussion regarding the amount of upland area required to provide viable habitat. It was stated that the current pool is isolated and the proposal would relocate the pool within the bounds of the CR. There was question as to

whether the turtle habitat should suit box or spotted turtles. The Commission noted that the spotted turtle had not been delisted when the Order of Conditions (OOC) was issued. There was a review of ownership of abutting lots. Mr. Watsky noted that the Town could have ownership interests on a CR in another town. There was discussion regarding current permitting by the City of Taunton. It was stated that in order to modify the CR the owner would need approval from the Conservation Commission and Natural Heritage. Concern was voiced regarding the possible dedregation of the BVW in Taunton because of the work proposed for the site. The Commission decided that input from Natural Heritage is necessary prior to any decisions being made. Mr. Watsky will contact Natural Heritage for input on the proposal as well as inforation on the unfinished spotted turtle habitat.

ADESA Impact

A request for a Certificate of Compliance was received. It was stated that, at the time of the hearing, an abutter voiced concern regarding a possible block culvert. The applicant was supposed to remedy this situation at the time of construction. Member Bouchard will verify that the culvert has been located and cleared of all obstructions.

Green Fair

Member Schroeder will be represent the Commission at the Green Fair at Ted Williams Camp on Saturday, April 12, 2008.

Tamarack Park

Member Schroeder stated that an area has been rototilled and readied for replanting. The orange construction fencing will be removed and replaced with wooden posts. Chris Peck, Superintendent of Streets may have cable available to connect the posts. It was noted that the removal of invasive species was previously approved by the Commission. The TEAMS group has received grant funding for herbicide applicator training and will be applying the herbicide by brush onto individual plants. The Commission okayed the post installation and the herbicide application.

Organic Lawn Care Standards

The Commission will extend an invitation to William Robbins, Stetson Street to discuss the specifics of organic lawn care standards.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held on May 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lakeville Town Office Building. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m. Unanimous vote.