##### Town of West Bridgewater

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**1st Fl. Conference Room, Town Hall**

 **65 North Main Street**

 **August 19, 2014**

**Minutes**

**6:30 PM Present were Tim Hay (TH), Chairman, Lee Anderson (LA), Vice Chairman, Maurice McCarthy (MM), member and John W. DeLano (JWD), Conservation Agent. TH Called the meeting to Order.**

Minutes for August 5, 2014. It was noted that the Minutes as printed needed to be corrected by **TH** noting that his initials were written as **TM** instead of **TH** on abstaining on a motion vote to require an asbuilt of the re-planting job completed for 48 Harvestwood Drive. Motion to approve as corrected by **MM**, seconded by **LA** and so voted.

 **New Public Hearing**:

289 South Street Request for Determination of Applicability; Edward Finn; to determine whether digging up a filled-in swimming pool and concrete patio and planting a lawn fall under the WPA. **TH** read the Public Hearing Notice as advertised in THE ENTERPRISE and opened the Public Hearing.

Edward Finn, land owner made a presentation to the Commission members after presenting the green cards signifying abutter notification within 300' of his property. JWD gave a report as written in the Agent's Meeting Report. Mr. Finn noted that Carney Brothers will take the fill to their site in Raynham.

Motion by **MM** and seconded by **LA** to issue a Negative #3 Determination of Applicability as recommended by **JWD** in the Agent's Report. So voted. **Document signed by majority of Commission**.

Motion by **MM** and seconded by **LA** to close the Public Hearing. So voted.

**Informal discussions and action:**

**JWD** introduced Ms. Mary Duggan Watson who had approached the Commission's Agent regarding her concerns about the condition of the "Conservation Open Space" up off Copeland Street and behind the cemetery. After discussion with the Agent, it was determined that she might want to try reaching out to the young people using the site and see if they would do anything about it. Ms. Watson was successful and reported to the Agent that the site was cleaned up. It was determined that the young men who had done the work should be thanked and recognized publically. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Ms. Mary Duggan Watson, Anthony Carton, Nicholas Carini and Jeffrey Spatola for their work on organizing and cleaning up the site. They all received a round of applause from the Commission and the audience in attendance.

**Informal discussions action:**

A group of residents and abutters to the B.C. Way subdivision road work and drainage work, presently being constructed, asked to express their concerns to the Commission. **TH** allowed them to discuss their concerns. Concerns included Order of Conditions (OOC) administrative violations, claims that deleterious objects in fill where being buried, encroachments into the wetland 50' buffer, encroachments onto abutting property and hazardous substances mixed with the soil. **JWD** read his Agent's report regarding his follow-up to the complaints he had received. The abutters wanted enforcement action taken and **JWD** noted that none of the administrative violations had not harmed the wetlands so enforcement was not necessary as long as the developer was making progress towards compliance. The abutter discussion was not moving the Commission

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to take enforcement action which did not please some of the residents. It was suggested that their complaints might be better directed to the WB Planning Board since their complaints involved the construction of the road and drainage. The abutters were informed that the WBPB would be meeting the following night at Town Hall.

**Administrative discussions and action:**

COC – 19 Pearl Road, DEP #SE-328-650. **JWD** gave report and recommended issuing Certificate of Compliance (COC). Motion to issue made by **MM** and seconded by **LA**. So voted. **Document signed by majority of Commission**.

COC – 24 Pearl Road, DEP #SE-328-652. **JWD** gave report and recommended issuing Certificate of Compliance (COC). Motion to issue made by **LA** and seconded by **MM**. So voted. **Document signed by majority of Commission**.

COC - 635 Manley Street, DEP #SE-328-594. **JWD** gave report and recommended issuing Certificate of Compliance (COC) with a continuing standing condition of maintaining the boulders. Motion to issue with condition recommended by **JWD** made by **MM** and seconded by **LA**. So voted. **Document signed by majority of Commission**.

11 Teresa Road, DEP #SE-328-533. **JWD** noted that this project was not in compliance yet. **JWD** recommended a continuance. Motion to continue the request made by **MM** and seconded by **LA**. So voted.

48 Harvestwood restoration project. **JWD** reported and the Commission received written report from the applicant's wetland scientist. **JWD** recommended accepting the report and notifying the applicant they needed the asbuilt as voted by the Commission at the last meeting. Motion made by **MM** and seconded by **LA**. So voted. **TH** abstained on the vote.

**Agent’s report: See Attached**

**Correspondence:**

None

**Sign documents:**

See above as noted

**Other:**

Motion made to adjourn at 7:59 PM by **MM** and seconded by **LA**. So Voted.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. DeLano, Conservation Agent