

Eastham Conservation Commission

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Eastham Conservation Commission December 27, 2011 Hearing Minutes

**Eastham Town Hall
Earle Mountain Room
2500 State Highway
Eastham, MA 02642**

Commissioners Present: Chairman Stephen Smith, Sandra Larsen, Linda Haspel, and Fred Rollinson.

Commissioners Not Present: Vivien Cook, Steven LaBranche

Staff Present: Michael O'Connor, Shana Brogan

Also Present: Joanna Buffington, Dana Gould, David Lajoie of FELCO, Don Miller, Gordon Peabody of Safe Harbor Environmental, Don Monroe of Coastal Engineering, Lindsay Strode of Cape Organics, Linda and Terry Tuchin.

6:01PM

Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Joanna Buffington. Applicant proposes removal of non-native vegetation and planting native vegetation at property located at 1395 Samoset Road, Map 13, Parcel 118.

Joanna Buffington said that she would like to dig up the grass of her front yard and install plantings that are self-sustaining and Patricci Landscaping would soon decide which plantings to use such as beach grass and beach plum. Sandra Larsen asked for the numbers of plantings, and sizes. Don Miller stated no fertilizers or pesticides would be used and they will use the Conservation Commission's plant list and made the area look natural and they are planning to begin the work and finish by April 2012. Stephen Smith noted that for projects of this nature there is a planting plan submitted.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to approve a negative determination for reason #3, Linda Haspel

SECONDED.

ALL IN FAVOR.

6:20PM

Notice of Intent filed by Dana Gould. Applicant proposes replacement of 3' x 18' pier access ramp at property located at the end of Cove Road, Lot C-5.

Sandra Larsen recused herself.

There was no DEP number for the project, the commission could not vote. The applicant had not anticipated a continued hearing and would not be available until late spring.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to continue to May 08, 2012, Linda Haspel **SECONDED.**

ALL IN FAVOR.

6:25PM

Notice of Intent filed by Mark Sherman. Applicant proposes replacement of 24 untreated piles for an existing pier at property located at 20 Richard Lane, Map 21, Parcel 62E.

David Lajoie represented the project. They said the Division of Marine Fisheries suggested not installing the piles by jetting. David Lajoie clarified that they will have to use minimal jetting because the piles are deteriorated so they cannot easily grasp them and they can install the new piles with a pile driver and they will use greenheart piles.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to continue to January 10, 2012, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

6:30PM

Notice of Intent filed by Jennifer and Eric Lammers. Applicant proposes vista pruning vegetation management plan at property located at 500 State Highway, Map 21, Parcel 077.

Lara Henry and Gordon Peabody represented the project and said they also did not have a DEP file number. He continued to say propose removal of the patio and do some vista pruning and they will stay away from the drainage ditch and the project will be conducted in phases.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to continue to January 10, 2012, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Request for Certificate of Compliance for Cliff Cottage Trust. DEP SE 19-1249 for re-construction and repairs of a rock revetment at property located at 7 Memory Lane, Map 07, Parcel 501.

Don Monroe of Coastal Engineering said he added eight rocks to elevate and tie in the revetment and they filled in and added beach grass. Stephen Smith noted there have not been certificates of compliance on properties with continued nourishment and maintenance. Don Monroe suggested withdrawing the request and investigating an extension permit.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to approve, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

6:50PM

Request for Extension Permit for John Hickey. DEP SE 19-1203, 105 Bay View Drive, sand nourishment.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to approve, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Request for Extension Permit for David Aranowitz. DEP SE 19-1204, 35 Cranberry Lane, sand nourishment.

Sandra Larsen **MOVED** to approve, Fred Rollinson **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Continuation on Notice of Intent filed by Eastham Department of Public Works. Applicant requests reconstruction of Ellis Road to eliminate storm water discharge to Town Cove, Map 22.

Continuation of Notice of Intent filed by James and Donna Demetri. Applicant requests an after the fact filing to plant select trees, shrubs at property located at 265 Herring Brook Road, Map 17, Parcel 486.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to continue to January 10, 2012, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

7:05PM

Continuation of Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Frederick Thomas. Applicant proposes removal of 40 trees and vegetation plan at property located at 1205 Herring Brook Road, Map 13, Parcel 78D.

Lindsay Strode of Cape Organics represented the project. He explained there is a planting plan and the under story will self-promote and the commission can condition the RDA with whatever they feel is necessary, he also noted there are three trees that are a liability. Sandra Larsen said the RDA referred to applied for less than half the trees to be removed and she sees this one as different and no planting occurred. Lindsay Strode said all 40 trees are flagged and the area will be maintained.

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to approve, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

3 in Favor

1 Opposed – Sandra Larsen

MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion with Tuchins- Mary Chase Road

The Tuchins inquired about the phragmites in the No Mow Zone and asked if they are able to clip them. The commission clarified nothing should occur in the No Mow Zone and it should be left to grow wild, no activity should occur there and trimming phragmites is not effective anyway.

Stephen Smith said there is to be a true phragmites management plan and informed them they can come back to the commission with a request for an amended order.

Adjournment

7:50PM

Fred Rollinson **MOVED** to adjourn, Linda Haspel **SECONDED**.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully Submitted as prepared by,



Shana Brogan



Stephen Smith, Chairman
Conservation Commission

8/28/2012