

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AMENDED AGENDA
MAY 7, 2008



7:15 Request for Determination - 21 Elm Street - Town of Acton Recreation Dept. (010, 011)
Removal and replacement of the existing public playground located at 21 Elm Street (Town Atlas Plate E-2, Parcel 247) within 100' of a wetland.

7:20 Request for Determination - 73 Central Street - Kevin Logue (020, 021)
Clearing and installation of new lawn areas and retaining walls within 100' of a wetland.

7:30 Continuation - NOI - RQR - Continued until June 18, 2008 @ ???

Request to Amend - 98 Newtown Road - Lisa Bailey

Certificates of Compliance

- 24 Grasshopper Lane - 85-650 - K. Melia (040)
- 526 Main Street - 85-709 - G. Cohen (041)

Planting Plan – 100 Powdermill Road (050)

Business - Elect Vice-Chair

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April 16 comments received TT, FP, JA , LS

Postponed until 5/21 - Inquiry - Request Red-line Change or Amend - Grassy Pond Place (030)

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Maitland, Janet Adachi, Linda Serafini, William Froberg, Fran Portante

CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATOR: Tom Tidman

VISITORS: Kevin Logue, Lisa Bailey, Jim Basnett

7:20 Mr. Maitland called the meeting to order.

Request for Determination - 21 Elm Street - Town of Acton Recreation Dept. (010, 011)

Tom Tidman, representing the Recreation Department presented plans for the proposed removal and replacement of the existing public playground located at 21 Elm Street. The existing playground equipment is obsolete and in need of replacement. New equipment will be placed in the same location; new playground area dimensions will be 65' x 65'. The Recreation Department hopes to replace the playground this summer or fall and plans also include improvements to the existing covered picnic area.

Upon query by Mr. Froberg, Mr. Tidman reported that the wetlands have been flagged.

7:30 Hearing no further comments or questions, Mr. Maitland closed the meeting.

Determination – 21 Elm Street

Ms. Adachi moved that the Commission find the work as proposed to be within its jurisdiction but will not impact the wetlands. Mr. Froberg 2nd; unanimous.

7:35 Request for Determination - 73 Central Street - Kevin Logue (020, 021)

Kevin Logue presented plans for the proposed clearing and installation of new lawn areas and retaining wall within 100' of a wetland. Approximately 1/3 of the property is currently wooded; his plans are to construct a stone terrace retaining wall near the house and driveway, clear trees and create a usable lawn area/children's play area. No work will occur within the 50' natural vegetative setback. The project may possibly be done in phases with the proposed retaining wall being done first. Some lawn and fill will be required to create the new lawn area as proposed.

7:45 Mr. Maitland closed the meeting.

Determination – 73 Central Street

Mr. Froberg moved that the Commission approve the plans as proposed with the following special conditions:

1. The Applicant shall install a row of three-to-four-foot-diameter boulders buried to half their depth. The boulders shall be placed no farther apart than five-feet on center along the 50' natural vegetative setback. No work, grading, clearing, lawn or any other activity may occur beyond this line of boulders at any time now or in the future.
2. Prior to commencement of activity, a planting plan shall be submitted to the Conservation Administrator for review and approval for the proposed disturbed area.

7:46 Ms. Serafini 2nd; unanimous.

7:30 Continuation - NOI - RQR - Continued until June 18, 2008 at 7:30 PM

Request to Amend - 98 Newtown Road - Lisa Bailey, Jim Basnett (contractor)

Ms. Bailey, landscape architect representing the owner of 98 Newtown Road, requested guidance from the Commission as to how to proceed on improving the stone culvert/driveway crossing on this site. In addition, improvements to the exiting parking area are proposed that will include a stone retaining wall.

Discussion.

Mr. Maitland stated that the Applicant should file a request to amend the open Order of Conditions. The wetland in this area will need to be delineated and depicted on an amended engineered plan with Ms. Bailey's drawings included on said plan.

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- 24 Grasshopper Lane - 85-650 - K. Melia (040) Ms. Adachi moved; Ms. Portante 2nd, unanimous.
- 526 Main Street - 85-709 - G. Cohen (041) Ms. Adachi moved; Ms. Portante 2nd, unanimous.

Business - Elect Vice-Chair

Ms. Portante nominated Ms. Adachi to be Vice-Chairperson. Ms. Portante 2nd; unanimous.

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Ms. Adachi moved that the Commission accept the minutes of April 16, 2008; Ms. Serafini 2nd, unanimous.

9:00 Meeting adjourned.

Terrence Maitland
Terrence Maitland,
Chair

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