

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR
APRIL 3, 1991



MEMBERS PRESENT: Andrew Sheehan, Charlotte Timlege, John Chalmers, Ann Shubert (8:18)

CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATOR: Tom Tidman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Andrea MacKenzie

VISITORS: Harry Donahue, Joe O'Brien, John MacLeod, Kenneth P. Moyor

7:45 Mr. Sheehan called the meeting to order.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS - There were no concerns brought forth.

ARBORETUM DAY

The Administrator reported that on May 19, 1991 there will be an "Arboretum Day" organized by the Friends of the Acton Arboretum; there will be a tree planting and pruning demonstration, and several walks planned.

One of the objectives of this Arboretum Day is to gain more supporters for the "Friends" group

8:00 **NOTICE OF INTENT** - 65 Central Street 85-302 75-233

Mr. Sheehan opened the meeting under MGL Chapter 131, Section 40 of the Wetlands Protection Act, and the Town of Acton Bylaw for the reconstruction of a sewage disposal system.

Mr. Harry Donahue, of Acton Survey & Engineering presented plans for the above referenced site. Mr. Donahue reported that the site is a 11,600 s.f. lot with an existing two bedroom home. The entire lot is within the 100' buffer zone. The proposal is to replace a cesspool which is currently 16' from the edge of wetland, and breaks out into the wetland. This new proposed septic system is Title 5 approved. Variances were applied for and approved for the lot line and water line setbacks. The State required the construction of a retaining wall at the edge of fill parallel with Central Street to prevent any breakout into the street and the neighboring property. There will be grading within 5' of the wetland, haybales and silt fence are proposed between the edge of fill and the wetland until the area is stabilized. The owner is also requesting to maintain the lawn as it exists, which is up to the edge of wetland. Pending the approval, work would start immediately upon receipt of the Order of Conditions with a DEP file number.

The Administrator asked to have haybales placed around the old cesspool during its' closure. The applicant agreed to do so.

:17 Hearing no further questions or comments, Mr. Sheehan closed the hearing.

Mr. Chalmers moved to issue a standard Order of Conditions for 65 Central Street, with the additional condition that haybales are placed around the cesspool during activity until stabilized.

Ms. Timlege seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EXTENSION

The Administrator reported that he has received a letter requesting an extension on the Order of Conditions 85-196, Davis Road, "The Arbors". The Administrator reported that the wetland crossing is complete, and the applicant is presently working of the drainage structures.

Mr. Chalmers moved to extend Order of Conditions, File 85-196, for one final year. Ms. Shubert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8:30 REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION - Acton Water Supply District

Mr. Sheehan opened the meeting under MGL Chapter 131, Section 40 of the Wetlands Protection Act, and the Town of Acton Bylaw for the performance of a pump test by the Water District, for a possible future well at the Conant Well Field area, near Route 27 off Brook Street.

Joe O'Brien, of Dufresne & Henry, presented plans for a pump test on land adjacent to Nashoba Brook to determine if it is a viable drinking water source. This Determination is asked for the discharge of water back into Nashoba Brook.

The proposal is for 12 two and one half foot diameter wells 100' apart, at a 20 to 30 foot depth. Each of the wells will be linked together to one common discharge. They project that they will receive one half million gallons per day. A dissipater will be used at the discharge point back into Nashoba Brook, and the water quality will be of drinking quality. There are four ponds in the immediate area of this aquifer, which will be monitored for water level changes.

8:50 Hearing no further comments, Mr. Sheehan closed the meeting.

The Commission held discussions.

Mr. Chalmers moved to find the work/testing to be within the Commission's jurisdiction, but will not impact the wetland; and as agreed to by the applicant, the Commission will also require that a

full copy of the test results be submitted to the Commission. The Commission also requires to be notified prior to the commencement of the testing.

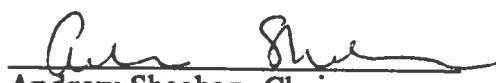
Ms. Timlege seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

Mr. Chalmers moved to approve and sign the minutes as amended for February 6, February 20, and January 16, 1991.

Ms. Shubert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9:22 Meeting Adjourned.



Andrew Sheehan, Chairman