



Town of Ashland

MASSACHUSETTS

MEETING MINUTES
ASHLAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION
February 12, 2018

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2 Present: Cark Hakansson
3 K.G. Narayana
4 Jeff Lingham
5 Cathy Van Lancker
6 Greg Wands
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8 Maeghan Dos Anjos (Agent)
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10 Absent: Gene Crouch (Chair)
11 William Moulton (Vice Chair)

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13 **Call to order: 7:08 P.M.**

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15 **7:13 Review of the January 22, 2018, Meeting Minutes**

16 Mr. Narayana made a motion, seconded by Ms. Van Lancker to accept the January 23, 2018,
17 Meeting Minutes as amended. Motion passed 5-0-0.
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19 **7:11 DOA, Town of Ashland- Town Forest Committee, Oregon Road, Parking Lot**

20 The Commission reviewed a draft DOA for the Town Forest Committee. The permit is for the
21 construction of a pervious parking lot off of Oregon Road and a trail system that connects the
22 parking lot to the trail. Only the trail falls within the wetland jurisdictional areas. The RDA
23 was filed in early January and the meeting was held on January 22, 2018.
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25 Ms. Van Lancker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Narayana to issue a Negative DOA.
26 Motion passed 5-0-0.
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28 **7:15 NOI,95-917, Kevin Masterson, 20 Vine Street, septic system replacement**
29 **(continued from 1/22/2018)**

30 Ms. Karon Skinner Catrone (Representative- Wetland Scientist) was present for the hearing.
31 Ms. Cartone submitted revised plans and a letter regarding Japanese Knotweed removal from
32 the property. Ms. Catrone explained the revisions on the map which include the flow direction
33 of the stream, and a change in the date of the soil borings. Ms. Catrone also explained the plan
34 to remove Japanese knotweed.
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36 The Commission noted that a revision date needs to be added to the plan. The plan reflects
37 newer changes that occurred after the revision date.
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39 Mr. Narayana made a motion, seconded by Ms. Van Lancker to close the hearing. Motion
40 passed. 5-0-0
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42 **7:21 Amended OOC, 95-891, 81 West Union Street LLC, 81 West Union Street, revised**
43 **limit of work line**

44 William Rodenhiser (Applicant) and Peter Barbieri (Legal Representative- Fletcher and Tilton)
45 were present for the hearing. Mr. Rodenhiser explained that abutters were not notified at the
46 last hearing and they were back to do the process again. Mr. Rodenhiser explained that there
47 is a plan to save and relocate the house as well under this Amendment Request. The Agent
48 explained that the limit of work line has also changed and will go up to a stone wall on the
49 property that abuts the property located at 65 West Union Street.

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51 Ms. Catherine Rooney (member of Design Review Committee) stated that Design Review
52 Committee did not receive a copy of the plans during the first hearing process. Ms. Rooney
53 also asked for clarification on the phasing of the project [this project is part of a two phase
54 project, only phase 1 is permitted]. The Agent explained that they are only allowed to
55 construct two buildings under this amendment, as the amendment only approves Phase I.

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57 Mr. Ferris of 73 West Union Street stated that he was concerned of the fill on the property and
58 the length of time that it would be present. Mr. Barbieri stated that per Planning Board, they
59 need to submit an application for Phase 2, by the time they reach occupancy of the two
60 buildings to be constructed in Phase 1. Mr. Barbieri further explained that if they are unable to
61 apply for phase two at the allotted time, they would then need to regrade the site to existing
62 grades, and remove stock piles. The Agent said that there is a height restriction on the stock
63 piles per the Planning Board hearings.

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65 Mr. Emery Bond of 59 West Union Street asked for clarification of the phases of the project.
66 The Agent explained this. Mr. Bond also spoke about wildlife on the site. The Agent stated
67 that they can require seed mixtures after the required regrading period.

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69 The Commission asked for the grading on site to mimic existing patterns so that drainage
70 remains the same and still flows toward the wetland system on site.

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72 Mr. Narayana made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wands to close the hearing. Motion passed 5-
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75 **7:50 Discussion, Alan Marks, 0 Tri Street, stream status and permitting requirements**

76 Thomas Rebula (Representative- Goddard Consulting LLC) was present for the discussion.

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78 The Agent explained the status and conversations that took place with DEP and Goddard
79 Consulting LLC.

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81 Abutters were present. Mr. James of Adams Road asked how the stream status and the
82 permitting affects him. Mr. Hakansson clarified this explaining the difference of an
83 intermittent stream and a perennial stream. The Agent stated that the meeting will take place at
84 the next meeting on February 26, 2018.

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86 **8:08 Request for COC, 95-882, Daniel Aho, 9 Thomas Road, Single family home and**
87 **associated work**

88 Ms. Karon Skinner Cartone (Representative- Wetland Scientist) was present for the meeting.

89 The Agent stated that a request came in for 95-882, Daniel Aho, 9 Thomas Road. The Agent
90 explained that there is Japanese knotweed that is on site. Ms. Cartone stated that there was
91 none when she went out. The Agent stated that she will do a site inspection tomorrow.
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93 Ms. Catrone submitted photographs of the wetland replication area. The Agent stated that a
94 monitoring report from the first growing period is missing. Mr. Hakansson, stated that they
95 may be in only year one of the monitoring for the replication area, and that the Applicant may
96 have to do another monitoring report given the timing of the permitting and the timing of the
97 construction of the house.
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99 The request is tabled for the next meeting which will be held on February 26, 2018.
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101 **8:20 Review Draft OOC, 95-917, Kevin Masterson, 20 Vine Street, septic system**
102 **replacement**

103 The Commission reviewed a draft OOC for Kevin Masterson at 20 Vine Street, for the
104 replacement of a septic system.
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106 Mr. Narayana made a motion, seconded by Ms. Van Lancker, to issue the OOC. Motion
107 Passed 5-0-0.
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109 **8:30 Updates on Ongoing Projects**

110 The Agent explained her weekly sight inspections along Eversource's Right of Way through the
111 Town of Ashland.
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113 She also explained MS4 permitting requirements, the Stormwater Advisory Committee's efforts
114 in finding financing for the MS4 permit, and information available at UNH's Stormwater Center.
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116 The Commission asked about Connolly Bus. The Commission asked about conditions added in
117 the ZBA permit. The Agent stated that she cannot enforce the ZBA decision. The Commission
118 mentioned that she can do inspections there.
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120 **9:03 Sign Documents**

121 OOC Draft OOC 95-917, Kevin Masterson, 20 Vine Street, septic system replacement
122 DOA Negative, Town of Ashland Town Forest Committee, Oregon Road, pervious parking
123 lot and trail
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125 **Documents Reviewed by the Conservation Commission on 2/12/2018**

- 126 • Conservation Commission Agenda 02-12-2018
- 127 • Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes 1-22-2018
- 128 • Document, DOA, Town of Ashland, Oregon Road
- 129 • Document, NOI, Kevin Masterson, 20 Vine Street
- 130 • Letter, knotweed removal, Jose Augusto de Sousa Filho, 20 Vine Street dated 2-12-
131 2018
- 132 • Plans, entitled *Septic System Construction, 20 Vine Street*, dated 1-18-2018
- 133 • Plans, entitled, *Proposed Storage Facility Site Plan*, 81 West Union Street, dated
134 2/1/2018
- 135 • Document, OOC 95-917, Kevin Masterson, 20 Vine Street

136 • Document, photos of replication area at 9 Thomas Road

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138 **9:20 Adjournment**

139 Mr. Narayana made a motion, seconded by Ms. Van Lancker to adjourn the meeting.

140 Motion passed 5-0-0.