Conservation Commission Special Meeting
June 19, 2019
Town Hall, Room 5  •  5:00 PM

MINUTES

I. Call to Order


Members Absent: David Lumsden

Conservation Chairman Mr. Gang opened the meeting at 5:05 pm under the Wetlands Protection Act and Town by-law. He announced that it was being recorded by the Commission.

II. Order of Conditions

43 Lincoln Street & 0 Brook Street, MERSD – demolish the existing and construct a new elementary school within Riverfront Area; Bordering Land Subject to Flooding; and the 100’, 50’ NBZ, and 30’ NDZ buffers to Bordering Vegetative Wetland

Continued from 3/12/19, 4/2/19 (no discussion), 4/23/19 (no discussion), 5/14/19, 6/4/19 CLOSED

Peer reviewer Bill Jones provided conditions to Ms. Bertoni that he would like to see for this property. Mr. Gang and Mr. Puopolo read aloud the proposed findings, conditions, special conditions and perpetual conditions. Additions and edits to the conditions were discussed by the Commission. Mr. Gang proposed adding a finding under the section titled “Specific Findings under the Manchester General Wetlands By-Law and its regulations” 3.e, and the Commission agreed, that in the case of overriding public interest the Commission can modify the performance standards since he feels the applicant did not meet the criteria for alternative analysis. Mr. Jaworski asked that the low-mow area mowing occur after the growing season. There was discussion regarding snow storage areas and the applicant will supply a plan for that. There was discussion for signage or monuments identifying the 30’ No Disturb Zone and the need for low salt. The applicant will supply a plan for this. Mr. Jaworski was concerned with the mitigation planning due to low survivorship of previous mitigation projects. Per Bill Jones’ suggestion the Commission agreed to put as a perpetual condition the maintenance of the mitigation areas within the 30’ NDZ.

Vote: To issue an Order of Conditions with standard, special and perpetual conditions under state and local bylaws.

Motion: Ms. Hayes
Second: Mr. Oettinger
Actual Vote: 5-0 1 abstained

III. Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Oettinger to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. This motion was seconded by Mr. Jaworski and voted in favor 6-0.

Submitted by,

Eva Palmer