

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
March 22, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Henry A. Kozloski, Chair
Sheryl Becker
S. Page Fallon
Frank Meagher
Jill Messick

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Magda Galiatsos

ALSO PRESENT:

Amanda Boissonneault

Mr. Kozloski called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

1. 6:00 PM – PUBLIC HEARING – Notice of Intent – Ace Precision – 1123 Suffield Street
Philippe Cravo with R. Levesque Associates, Inc. and Peter Wood representing Ace Precision, Inc. were in attendance to present this Notice of Intent for proposed improvements to Lot 3 of the newly created 3 lot subdivision. Mr. Cravo explained that the existing structure on the property will remain in place until the new business can be constructed on Lot 1. Lot 3 includes cleared areas east of the existing building and a bank to an unnamed intermittent stream. The property slopes from Suffield Street towards Tarkill Brook and the bordering vegetative wetland south of the project area. The 200 foot riverfront area extends onto Lot 3, however all improvements will be out of the 200 foot riverfront. There will be work within the 100 foot buffer located on previously disturbed area. A portion of the proposed structure will be within the 100 foot buffer. There will be some site grading and installation of a foundation that will also act as a retaining wall. The retaining wall will be extended off the right side of the building. Mr. Cravo stated they have worked with the Engineering Department who have recommended approval and will be incorporating DEP's comments.

Mr. Kozloski asked how construction of the corner closest to the 100 foot buffer will be possible without crossing the limit of work line. Mr. Kozloski estimated there is approximately 8-10 feet from the proposed corner of the building to the silt fence, and is concerned that construction equipment will not have enough room to access the area. Mr. Cravo said the 100 foot buffer will be made inaccessible so that construction cannot cross into the area. Mr. Kozloski asked if the location of the building has been proposed in such a way to avoid storm water regulations. Mr. Kozloski also asked who is going to certify the silt fence is put in the correct location. Mr. Cravo said he understands this is a delicate area, and said they can have surveyors place monuments at the rear building corners and along the silt fence. Mr. Kozloski wants to perform a site visit with the stakes marking the where the corners of the building would be and where the silt fence will be placed before writing an order of conditions; the members all agree. Ms. Messick asked how the detention basin will be maintained and if there would be structures in it. Mr. Cravo answered saying there would be access from the parking lot, and that outlet control

structures would be placed in the detention basin. The increase to impervious area will be approximately 112,859 square feet.

Mr. Kozloski opened the meeting to the public.

Brenda Sibilia, 64 Zachary Lane, expressed concern about how the property would drain and if there would be increased runoff to Zachary Lane. Mr. Cravo explained the cul-de-sac and storm water measures will be in place before any development on the three sites.

Guy Remillard, 63 Zachary Lane, asked when construction would begin, and also expressed concerns about site drainage. Mr. Cravo gave an approximate 18 month time frame and said the new drainage system will be fully functional prior to any site development.

Jerry Sibilia, 64 Zachary Lane, asked which if Lot 3 would be developed first. Mr. Cravo answered that Lot 1 would be developed first, which is where Ace Precision will be moving their business to.

The Commission members and Mr. Cravo scheduled a site visit for March 27, 2018 at 1pm.

Motion made by Ms. Messick and seconded by Mr. Meagher to continue the public hearing for 1123 Suffield Street to the next Commission meeting on April 12, 2018.

VOTE 6-0

2. 6:30 PM – PUBLIC HEARING – Request for Determination – 1120 River Road

Ms. Messick and Mr. Fallon conducted a site visit on March 5, 2018. Applicant William Bowdron would like to construct a shed on piers. The location is out of the flood plain, and the applicant was advised to keep the shed out of the 100 foot riparian buffer.

Motion was made by Ms. Messick and seconded by Mr. Meagher to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability for the construction of a shed with the condition that it is to remain out of the 100 foot riparian buffer.

VOTE 6-0

3. PUBLIC HEARING CONT. – Notice of Intent – 311 Shoemaker Lane – TJA Solar

Three requests were sent out on February 27, 2018 for peer review proposals. One proposal from Emily Stockman of Stockman Associates was received by March 22.

Motion was made Ms. Becker and seconded by Ms. Messick to accept the peer view proposal submitted by Emily Stockman of Stockman Associates, dated March 16, 2018, for 311 Shoemaker Lane.

VOTE 6-0

4. DISCUSSION – Longbrook Estates

A site visit including the new developer Vitaliy Dzhen and Mark Stinson from DEP was conducted on March 20, 2018. Mr. Fallon took pictures of damage that has not been repaired

since an Enforcement Order was issued on February 28, 2008. A new Notice of Intent will need to be filed for any proposed work on the property.

5. ENFORCEMENT ORDER UPDATES

Tannery Road – Bruno – Nothing new to report.

Main Street – Cirillo – Nothing new to report.

775 North West Street – Kudlic – Nothing new to report.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 22, 2018 & March 8, 2018

Motion was made by Ms. Messick and seconded by Mr. Fallon to approve the February 22, 2018 minutes as written.

VOTE 5-0-1 (Meagher abstained)

Motion was made by Ms. Messick and seconded by Ms. Becker to approve the March 8, 2018 minutes as written.

VOTE 6-0

7. CORRESPONDENCE & COMPLAINTS

North Street Pumping Station – Mr. Kozloski stated there is a lot of debris in the brook and more work to be done. New pictures taken show some of the debris and damage.

Main Street & Reed Street – The Commission was notified by the DPW of river bank erosion caused by a damaged drainage structure at Main Street and Reed Street. Mr. Fallon took photos during an onsite visit on March 15, 2018. Photos taken by the DPW also show rust at the bottom of the pipe that runs under Main Street. A Notice of Intent will be required for any repair work to be done.

Bondi's Island South Slope Erosion – Scott Donelon, Solid Waste Manager with the City of Springfield was in attendance. Members discussed what occurred and determined an Enforcement Order would be necessary. The restoration plan submitted with the notification email can be referenced in the order. Mr. Donelon said he would notify the Commission when work has been completed.

Motion made by Ms. Messick and seconded by Mr. Fallon to issue an Enforcement Order to the City of Springfield for the erosion that occurred at the south slope of the landfill cap.

VOTE 6-0

8. PUBLIC HEARING CONT. (Continued to 5/30/18) – NOI – Spfld. Water & Sewer Commission – M Street and Connecticut River

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.