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MEETING MINUTES
Belmont Conservation Commission
September 16, 2014 Meeting Minutes
Room 4, Town Hall
7:00 pm

Attendees:

Members: **David Webster (acting Chairman)**; Charles Chiang; Margaret Velie, Miriam Weil, Faustino Lichauco
Conservation Agent: Mary Trudeau

- 7:05 David Webster, acting Chairman, opened the public meeting. The minutes of August 5, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Miriam Weil moved to approve the minutes as amended to show that Charles Chiang had been present at the meeting, and that David Webster had not been in attendance. The motion was seconded by Margaret Velie, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the minutes of June 10, 2014. Mary Trudeau noted that the additional attendance information had been supplied by Beta Group, and the minutes accurately represented the attendance at the meeting. Faustino Lichauco moved to approve the minutes as written, and the motion was seconded by Margaret Velie. The motion was passed unanimously.

- 7:15 Mary Trudeau stated that Ben Dickensheets of the Harvard X-Country Running Club had revised his proposal for the use of Rock Meadow to host an inter collegiate running event in the fall of 2014. She noted that the event would likely be held on September 27, 2014. David Webster asked Mary Trudeau to rewrite the letter to the proponents permitting the race, and again requesting the proponents hire port o let facilities for the event, and set up a water station and registration table for the event. The letter should include the request to remove all trash.

Faustino Lichauco moved to request that the permit be revised to reflect the change in date to September 27, 2014. The motion was seconded by Margaret Velie, and passed unanimously.

The Commission related the generous grant from the Judith K Record Memorial Gift fund allowing for the mowing of Rock Meadow this year. Mary Trudeau noted that the mowing was expected to be done in September or early October.

David Webster requested that wood chips be delivered to Rock Meadow prior to the October 13, 2014 Belmont Serves work day event.

7:30 Notice of Intent for 64 Lorimer Road (DEP File 104-121)

James Forren, applicant, represented Michael and Wendy Etkind in their filing of a Notice of Intent. The Notice of Intent application for 64 Lorimer Road proposed an addition to the existing

single family dwelling. The addition is proposed largely outside of the one hundred foot buffer zone, with a small amount of roof area, paved patio and landscaping within the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission. The Commission discussed the proposal, including the mitigation designed to reduce the impacts of the increased impervious surface area. The Commission made the following four special conditions for use in the Order of Conditions:

1. Concrete pavers must be pervious for the purposes of this filing.
2. The project shall include a rain garden with a minimum of a seventy square foot area.
3. All gutters will discharge to pervious surfaces or the Rain Garden.
4. If the applicant proposes to change any additional pervious surfaces to an impermeable condition, the work will require the analysis of infiltration characteristics in the pre and post development conditions, as acceptable to the Conservation Commission or their Agent.

Faustino Lichauco moved to approve the project with the standard Belmont Conditions, plus the four conditions noted above. The motion was seconded by Miriam Weil, and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Continued ANRAD Public Hearing for 178 Marsh Street (106-120)

At the request of the Applicant, the Commission voted to allow the continuance of the Public Hearing until the October 7, 2014 meeting of the Conservation Commission.

The motion was made by Margaret Velie, and seconded by Miriam Weil and the vote was unanimous.

Certificate of Compliance Request for 56 Fletcher Street (106-109)

David Webster expressed an interest in reviewing the site conditions. The Commission agreed to delay a discussion of the Request for a Certificate of Compliance until the October 7, 2014 meeting of the Commission.

8:30 Community Preservation Act : Margaret Velie noted that there is a September 30 deadline for CPA Grant requests to be filed. The Commission discussed potential projects, but did not decide to move forward with a specific new project this fiscal year.

Community Gardens: Mary Trudeau noted that the Irrigation project for the Community Gardens was rebid at the end of August 2014. She stated that the scope of work had been modified and but the single bid received exceeded the amount of funds available for the project. She noted that she would pursue this with the winning bidder, Blue Diamond Equipment, LLC.

Adjourn

Tino Lichauco moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm; Charles Chiang seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.