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HARWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION - MINUTES

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Wednesday, January 22, 2025 – 6:00 PM

TOWN HALL - GRIFFIN ROOM – HYBRID PARTICIPATION

Commissioners and Staff Present: Chairman John Ketchum, Sophia Pilling, Viv Mulhall-Maguire and Assistant Conservation Agent Lily Gooding

Commissioners Absent: Mark Coleman, Wayne Coulson, and Conservation Administrator Amy Usowski

Call to Order

Chairman Ketchum called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, remotely. The regular meeting was cancelled due to technical issues.

Moment of Silence:

A moment of silence to honor and remember John Rossetti, who served on the Conservation Commission and passed away.

Mr. Ketchum stated this matter will be continued until the February 5, 2025, meeting.

Presentation:

Christine Flynn, Town Planner, to present the draft revision of the Harwich Open Space and Recreation Plan.

Mr. Ketchum stated this matter will be continued until the February 5, 2025, meeting.

Request for a Change in Plans:

Alan Hoskins, 49 Saquatucket Bluffs Rd, Map 8 Parcel G1-4, SE32-2514. Mitigation plantings, Walkway, replace existing fence and add fence to West side of property.

Mr. Ketchum moved to continue this hearing until February 5, 2025. Second by Ms. Mulhall-Maguire

Vote: 3:0

Motion carried; Hearing continued to February 5, 2025.

The following applicants have filed a Notice of Intent

John and Deborah Duarte, 19 Walkerwoods Drive, Map 94, Parcel A5. Vista pruning and pond access path. *Continuance of the January 8, 2025, meeting.*

Mr. Ketchum moved to continue this hearing until February 5, 2025. Second by Ms. Mulhall-Maguire

Vote: 3:0

Motion carried; Hearing continued to February 5, 2025.

Wyndemere Beach Trust, 0 Hiawatha Road, Map 6, Parcel T1. Stone revetment replacement. *Continuance of the January 8, 2025, meeting.*

Mr. Ketchum moved to continue this hearing until February 5, 2025. Second by Ms. Pilling
Vote: 3:0

Motion carried; Hearing continued to February 5, 2025.

Jeffrey Lang and Sandra Wycoff, 11 River Bend Road, Map 1, Parcel G1-9. Replacement of an existing wooden bulkhead, the installation of floats with scallop growing nets, and dredging at the base of the bulkhead to allow for scallop growing nets to remain submerged at low tide. Salt Marsh restoration is also proposed in eroded areas. *Continuance of the Dec 18, 2024, meeting.*

Mr. Ketchum moved to continue this hearing until February 5, 2025. Second by Ms. Pilling
Vote: 3:0

Motion carried; Hearing continued to February 5, 2025.

Round Cove Resort, 2173 Rt 28 - Head of the Bay Rd. Map 115, Parcel S1-3. Coastal Bank Vegetation Restoration.

Mr. Ketchum moved to continue this hearing until February 5, 2025. Second by Ms. Pilling
Vote: 3:0

Motion carried; Hearing continued to February 5, 2025.

Requests for Certificates of Compliance:

Kerry Sullivan, 123 Riverside Drive, Map 4-A1, Parcel A10, SE32-2478. Pool, Patio, and Restoration/Landscaping

Mr. Ketchum moved to continue this hearing until February 5, 2025. Second by Ms. Pilling
Vote: 3:0

Motion carried; Hearing continued to February 5, 2025.

Discussion and Possible Vote

1. Violation at 29 Sugar Hill Drive. Fence and enclosed porch.

2. Violation at 54 Main Street Extension. Clearing of all vegetation, grading, and addition of hardening within Riverfront Area.
3. Request for letter of support for grant to be submitted by the Health and Conservation Department for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and USDA for work at the People's Garden and Community Garden.
4. Jan 31, 2025 Work Session

Mr. Ketchum stated matters 1-3 will be continued until the February 5, 2025, meeting. The work session will be held on January 31, 2025.

Minutes:

1/8/25

Mr. Ketchum stated the minutes will be continued until the February 5, 2025, meeting.

Adjournment

Ms. Pilling moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ms. Mulhall-Maguire.

Vote: 3:0

Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Cheri Reisner, Executive Assistant

