

Newbury Conservation Commission - Public Meeting Minutes  
February 7, 2023

Members Present:

- ☒ Bob Connors (Chair)
- ☒ Mary Rimmer (Vice Chair)
- ☒ Peter Paicos (Planning Board Liaison)
- ☐ Brad Duffin
- ☒ Dianne O'Brien
- ☒ TJ Conte
- ☒ Samantha Holt (Agent)

7:00 p.m. Meeting Called to Order

- Opening remarks from Conservation Agent Samantha Holt
- Minutes Review: Commission members reviewed minutes from 1/3/2023. TJ Conte recused himself from the vote and discussion. Motion by Peter Paicos to approve the 1/3/2023 minutes as drafted; seconded by Mary Rimmer; vote 4:0:1.
- Samantha Holt noted that the March 21, 2023 is currently scheduled to be the last virtual meeting. Unless the Governor's order is extended again, the Commission will be returning to in-person meetings in April.

**EXTENSION PERMITS**

12 6<sup>th</sup> Street (DEP File #050-1228)

Robin Gurski (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Order of Conditions for 12 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Samantha Holt presents a request for an extension of the existing OOC currently set to expire on March 2, 2023. Ms. Holt noted that the project is partially completed and the Applicant is looking for a three-year extension. Motion by Dianne O'Brien to issue a three-year extension; seconded by TJ Conte; vote 5:0:0.

**MODIFICATIONS**

91 Northern Boulevard (DEP File #050-1373)

Lois & Jerry Carrier (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Order of Conditions for 12 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Modification Request with attachments

Samantha Holt presents a request for a modification to the existing OOC issued on November 23, 2021. The modification is for the additional installation of a backup generator. Motion by Peter Paicos to approve the minor modification; seconded by Dianne O'Brien; vote 5:0:0.

**REQUESTS FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY**

19 Exeter Way (File #NCC-417)

Maurice Cassidy (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Request for Determination of Applicability for 19 Exeter Way with attachments

Samantha Holt presents an RDA for work to maintain the existing driveway and install propane tanks and a generator. Mr. Cassidy is also present to discuss the project. Commission members had an opportunity to discuss the project. Questions were raised regarding the amount of material proposed to be added to the driveway and the overall details of the driveway maintenance. Several Commission members requested additional information. Motion by Peter Paicos to continue the discussion to 7:00 PM on 2/21/2023; seconded by Dianne O'Brien; vote 5:0:0.

20 Northern Boulevard (File #NCC-418)

Jody Latimer (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Request for Determination of Applicability for 20 Northern Boulevard with attachments

Samantha Holt presents an RDA for work to expand the existing second-floor deck and reconfigure the roof. Mr. Latimer and Ben Perez (representative) are also present to discuss the project. Commission members had an

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opportunity to discuss the project. Questions were raised regarding dumpster location and material staging areas, both of which will be in the driveway. Motion by Dianne O'Brien to issue a negative Determination of Applicability; seconded by Mary Rimmer; vote 5:0:0.

34 Moody Street (File #NCC-419) Emily & Ewan Innes (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Request for Determination of Applicability for 34 Moody Street with attachments

Samantha Holt presents an RDA for work to remove a hazard tree. Mr. Innes is also present to discuss the project. Commission members had an opportunity to discuss the project. Questions were raised regarding whether the stump will be removed or not. Motion by Dianne O'Brien to issue a negative Determination of Applicability; amended by Mary Rimmer to include the condition that the stump shall not be removed; seconded by Peter Paicos; vote 5:0:0.

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3 33<sup>rd</sup> Street (DEP File #050-1386) Beth Quinn (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Notice of Intent for 3 33<sup>rd</sup> Street with attachments

The Applicant has requested an indefinite continuance. Applicant representation has also advised that without a continuance date, the project will be appropriately re-noticed when the Applicant is ready to return. Motion by Dianne O'Brien to continue the public hearing indefinitely; seconded by TJ Conte; vote 5:0:0.

80 Northern Boulevard (DEP File #050-1392) Al Ward (Applicant)

- Exhibits: Notice of Intent for 80 Northern Boulevard with attachments

The Applicant has requested a continuance. Motion by Mary Rimmer to continue the public hearing to 7:00 PM on 3/7/2023; seconded by Dianne O'Brien; vote 5:0:0.

**COMMISSION DISCUSSION**

Tom Woodruff and Wendy Reed from The Governor's Academy (TGA), as well as Mark Beaudry from Civil Works New England, are present to hold a preliminary information session for a proposed walkway construction at TGA, intended to provide safe access to the new science building. Mr. Woodruff and Mr. Beaudry presented a draft set of plans for the project. Commission members had an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments.

Samantha Holt announced the retirement of long-time Commission member Dan Streeter, who resigned at the end of January. Mr. Streeter served on the Conservation Commission since 2008, and served on several other committees since 2000. The Town of Newbury is grateful for Mr. Streeter's dedication and wealth of knowledge, and we wish him well in all his future endeavors.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Samantha Holt, Conservation Agent