

**TOWN OF LEICESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting minutes
January 9, 2008**

Meeting opened at 7:30pm, members present were Stephan Parretti, JoAnn Schold, Glenda Williamson and Adam Menard.

NOTICE OF INTENT continued from 12/5/07

Applicant: Charlene A. Carrington

Location: Lot 1 Rawson Street

Request: construction of a 12' drive-width driveway crossing of BVW to gain access to upland
for construction of single family home

Rep: EBT Environmental Consultants, Inc.

Mr. Glenn Krevosky representing. Mr. Krevosky gave a brief review of project and discussed the site visit made. A concerned abutter has experienced increased run-off on his property since the new construction has started. Revised plans show an added swale to help divert water away from the abutter. (submitted plans may be reviewed) Replication area has been moved, cutting it to the elevation of existing, adjacent wetland. (Discussion) This project didn't meet the criteria of a forestry project, as discussed at previous meeting. Driveway will be staked in field so that no additional cutting occurs. Discussion of bonding, will need to come up with amount. No other comments. Ms. Schold motioned to take 21 days to draft OofC, Mr. Menard seconded. Motion passed.

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Applicant: STL LLC

Location: Intersection of Auburn & Stafford Streets

Request: Installation of utility lines, including sewage lift station

Rep: Mary Trudeau, Commonwealth Engineering

Ms. Trudeau gave a brief review of project. Flags have been refreshed, mention of stream being a cold water fishery after conversation with Glenn Krevosky. She presented letter showing that stream is listed as an intermittent stream, but it does show characteristics of a perennial stream. Discussion about use of straw wattles for erosion control. (submitted plans may be viewed) Ms. Williamson concerned with classification of the stream; Ms Trudeau responded that she didn't think the classification of stream would make a difference with this scope of work; from an environmental perspective, this project takes failed, or potential failing septic systems off line and puts them into sewer lines, which is environmentally beneficial. Ms. Williamson concerned whether or not this could be viewed as Riverfront. Ms. Trudeau replied that with this project being a utility project, it would not make a difference. Mr. Parretti stated that we may require additional erosion control similar to what would be necessary if it were a perennial stream. Ms. Trudeau stated that this being a utility project, they are locked in to where the utilities go. Because they want to stay in existing roadways, this is not a "new" project, they are servicing existing areas with the exception of the lift station, which needs to be at the lowest point on site. Ms. Williamson would like additional time to review the stream data and make a determination under the Riverfront Act and would like to view a map of the pump station and the delineation. She is also concerned with the grading being too close to the wetland line; she would like to see it pulled back so tow of slope and fill is 20' from the wetland line. Ms. Trudeau did discuss this matter with Glenn Krevosky, they will keep grading at a 10' no-disturbance zone and no structure within the 20' no-disturbance zone and be in compliance with this regulation. Ms. Williamson concerned with grading "hugging" the wetland line. Ms. Trudeau stated that they can shift it and place the in the Orders of Conditions that no work be done within the 10' and 20' no disturbance zones and be in compliance. Discussion about stream and setbacks. At this time no classification will be made regarding the stream, but we will treat the stream as if it is perennial. Discussion of project being limited; necessary that lift station be at lowest point of site. Ms. Trudeau agreed to change the driveway from a bituminous surface to a permeable surface . Ms. Williamson motioned to continue until we receive revised plans. Ms. Trudeau requested that we issue Orders and ad in them require that revised plans be submitted prior to construction. Mr. Krevosky also suggested that we ask for infiltration system for roof run-off. Ms. Williamson rescinded first motion; motion to take 21 days to draft Orders of Conditions with specific written information in regards to proposed pump station and revised plans. Mr. Menard seconded. Motion passed.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Applicant: Kenneth Cameron, Becker College

Location: north of Old Main St, between Nos. 918 & 950

Request: reconstruction of athletic field and related site improvements

Rep: Kenneth Strom, Thompson-Liston Associates, Inc

Mr. Ken Strom reviewed the plan for a new athletic field. (submitted plans may be reviewed) Discussion about the detention pond that already exists, whether or not is should be now classified as a wetland. Due to the fact that someone from the commission has not been able to view the site and the flags, we would like to continue this hearing until January

23, 2008. Mr. Strom agreed to this and would like to walk the site with the commission when they go out. We will coordinate a time that works for everyone.

Discussion/Complaints/Open Forum
Cease & Desist Whittemore Estates

Mr. Glenn Krevosky and Mr. Joe Sullivan were both present to discuss the C&D at Whittemore Estates. Mr. Krevosky addressed the letter that the commission issued with the C&D and responded with what actions have taken place to become compliant. (submitted documents may be viewed) We will continue to monitor this, Cease & Desist is to remain in place at this time. Mr. Krevosky will draft a letter to the applicant explaining what work is necessary and allowable at this time to come into compliance, and will forward the commission a copy as well.

REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION continued from 12/5/07

Applicant: NorthEast Wireless Services, LLC

Location: 490 Stafford Street, Leicester

Request: construction of wireless communication facility and associated site work

Rep: Alec MacLeod, Environmental Scientist

Ms. Williamson was able to walk this site and had no further issues. She would like to see the hay bale line extended along the isolated wetland, which we will include in the determination. No other comments or questions. Ms. Williamson motioned to make a Negative-3 determination, Mr. Menard seconded, motion passed.

Ms. Schold motioned to accept the minutes for November and December 2007 meetings, Mr. Menard seconded, motion passed. Ms. Schold motioned to accept the 2008-2009 budget proposed, Mr. Menard seconded. Motion passed.

Short discussion regarding request for Certificates of Compliance for lots at Sabina Circle. Parties involved need to send a letter of request, along with correct DEP file numbers and addresses so that site visits may be made.

At 9:15 motion was made by Ms. Williamson to close the public hearing, Mr. Menard seconded, motion passed.