

Leicester Conservation Commission

June 14, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

Members Present: Steve Parretti (Chair), JoAnn Schold (Vice-Chair), James Cooper, Ashlyn Coyle

Staff Present: Michelle Buck (Town Planner), Brooke Hultgren (Department Assistant)

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1.	Request for Certificate of Compliance <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) 445 Pine St (DEP#197-0635), Applicant: Susan Shea.b) Oakridge Estates (Virginia Dr Ext.) (DEP# 197-0415 & 197- 0652), Applicant: EcoTec, Inc.c) 565 Pine St (DEP# 197-0655), Applicant: Charles & Karen Shearns.
2.	Request for Determination of Applicability <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) 144 White Birch St (RDA2021-12), Applicant: Sheila Barlow. (septic system replacement)b) 5 Hemlock St (RDA2021-13), Applicant: Tricia Tarentino. (septic system replacement)
3.	Notice of Intent <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) 31 Chapel Street Continued (DEP# 197-0669), Applicant: Armory Street LLC. (warehouse with associated driveway & stormwater structures)b) 0 Chapel Street Continued (DEP# 197-0670), Applicant: Armory Street LLC. (office building with associated driveway & stormwater structures in a riverfront area)c) 25 Auburn St/Kettle Brook Continued (DEP# 197-0665), Applicant: Common Ground Land Trust. (invasive plant management)d) River St/Greenville Pond Continued (DEP# 197-0667), Applicant: Common Ground Land Trust. (invasive plant management)e) 59 Burncoat Lane Continued (DEP# 197-0666), Applicant: Richard Gorman Sr., (waterfront restoration plan)f) 21 Lake View Dr (DEP# 197-0668), Applicant: Lisa Forsberg. (septic system replacement)
4.	Board Discussion/Miscellaneous <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Follow Up (1039 Stafford, 15 Bond, 83 Charlton, 82 Baldwin, 385 Main, 93 Paxton, 453 Rawson)b) Discussion: Parker St and Smugglers Cove, Central Land Development.c) Approval of Minutes<ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 16, 2021d) Miscellaneous Project Updates/Site Inspection Updatese) Correspondence/Other New Businessf) Board Reorganizationg) Future Meeting Dates

Mr. Parretti opened the meeting at 6:33 PM.

1. Request for Certificate of Compliance

- a) 445 Pine St (DEP#197-0635), Applicant: Susan Shea.

The wetland replication is complete, and the site is stable.

Motion: Ms. Coyle moves to grant the Certificate of Compliance.

Second: Mr. Cooper

Discussion: None

Vote: (4-0-0)

- b) Oakridge Estates (Virginia Dr Ext.) (DEP# 197-0415 & 197- 0652), Applicant: EcoTec, Inc.

Art Allen from EcoTec is present. They are working on closing out all remaining orders for Virginia Drive; #197-0415 is the final order of conditions for the infrastructure. #197-0652 is the order for a rock slope that received fill and a small replication area behind 28 Virginia Dr.

The replication is complete, and the site is stable.

Motion: Ms. Coyle moves to grant the Certificate of Compliance for DEP# 197-0415 and DEP #197-0652.

Second: Mr. Cooper.

Discussion: None.

Vote: (4-0-0)

- c) 565 Pine St (DEP# 197-0655), Applicant: Charles & Karen Shearns.

The site is stabilized, and all site work is complete.

Motion: Ms. Coyle moves to grant the Certificate of Compliance.

Second: Mr. Cooper.

Discussion: None.

Vote: (4-0-0)

2. Request for Determination of Applicability

- a) 144 White Birch St (RDA2021-12), Applicant: Sheila Barlow. (septic system replacement)

Liz Dupre from Clearwater Environmental is present as the project representative. The septic tank and leach field are to be repaired, both of which are outside the 50' buffer. The plan indicates that the location of the system will be different, and the old cesspool will be filled with clean material.

Motion: Ms. Schold moves to approve the request with a negative 3 determination subject to notifying the Commission when the erosion controls are in place.

Second: Mr. Cooper

Discussion: None.

Vote: (4-0-0)

- b) 5 Hemlock St (RDA2021-13), Applicant: Tricia Tarentino. (septic system replacement)

The request is being made for an emergency septic system replacement, to be replaced with a Presby system in the same location as the current system.

Motion: Ms. Schold moves to approve the request with a negative 3 determination subject to notifying the Commission when the erosion controls are in place.

Second: Ms. Coyle.

Discussion: None.

Vote: (4-0-0)

3. Notice of Intent

- a) 31 Chapel Street *Continued* (DEP# 197-0669), Applicant: Armory Street LLC. (warehouse with associated driveway & stormwater structures)

The applicant plans to respond to DEP's comments; hearing continued to August meeting.

- b) 0 Chapel Street *Continued* (DEP# 197-0670), Applicant: Armory Street LLC. (office building with associated driveway & stormwater structures in a riverfront area)

The applicant plans to respond to DEP's comments; hearing continued to August meeting.

- c) 25 Auburn St/Kettle Brook *Continued* (DEP# 197-0665), Applicant: Common Ground Land Trust. (invasive plant management)

Joan Deely and Lucy Gross from Land Stewardship Inc. and Jan Parke, Common Ground Land Trust (CGLT) president, are present. Ms. Parke notes that because of the continuance at the June meeting, the projected timeline of treatment is off. The treatment may be slightly different, but the processes will remain as described in the submitted plan.

Mr. Parretti asks the applicant to explain her response to DEP's comments. CGLT secretary Ellen Souza is a plant propagator and submits 'Greenville Pond & Kettle Brook Trailhead Native Plant Replanting Project' list.

Motion: Ms. Schold moves to approve the NOI at 25 Auburn St.

Second: Ms. Coyle

Discussion: None.

Vote: (4-0-0)

- d) River St/Greenville Pond *Continued* (DEP# 197-0667), Applicant: Common Ground Land Trust. (invasive plant management)

CGLT plans to remove invasive knotweed and stabilize the existing foot access to Greenville Pond. The work will consist of pounding black locust wood boards into the existing steps using hand tools. Ms. Parke also notes that the proposed work will not be done in a BVW, contrary to the information on the application. Mr. Parretti asks the applicant to submit an official determination and methodology report on the location of the BVW on site as a condition of approval.

[Note: The Commission received a supplemental response to DEP comments from CGLT on Friday, July 16, 2021.]

Motion: Mr. Cooper moves to approve the NOI at Greenville Pond with the condition that the applicant submit a revised project narrative regarding the location of the BVW and notify the commission when erosion control measures are installed.

Second: Ms. Coyle

Discussion: None

Vote: (4-0-0)

- e) 59 Burncoat Lane Continued (DEP# 197-0666), Applicant: Richard Gorman Sr.,
(waterfront restoration plan)

Mr. Allen prepared the NOI application for Mr. Gorman in response to an enforcement order issued by the Commission regarding a breakwater built into Burncoat Pond. EcoTec plans to address DEP's comments that this project may require a Ch. 91 license prior to the next meeting. Mr. Allen requests a continuance.

- f) 21 Lake View Dr (DEP# 197-0668), Applicant: Lisa Forsberg. (septic system replacement)

The applicant and their representative were unable to make it to the hearing; the hearing will be continued to the next meeting.

4. Board Discussion/Miscellaneous

Follow Up

1039 Stafford

The property owner will be submitting an RDA application in the coming weeks.

15 Bond

Continued to next meeting.

83 Charlton

A new wetland specialist will be referred to the property owner.

82 Baldwin

A site visit was scheduled for late June but was cancelled. Continued to next meeting.

385 Main

Business owner has been closing the dumpster more often. Ms. Hultgren will send a memo reminding the business at 385 Main to keep their dumpster closed so trash does not end up in the nearby brook.

93 Paxton

Complaint closed.

453 Rawson

Continued to next meeting.

Smuggler's Cove & Parker St

Mr. Schold notes that the tree cutting that happened on both properties was on land not included as part of the respective subdivision plans pending Planning Board approval.

Meeting Minutes – June 14, 2021

Motion: Mr. Cooper moves to approve the June 16 meeting minutes.

Second: Ms. Coyle

Discussion: None

Vote: (4-0-0)

New Business

Ms. Buck received a quote from Jarvis Land Survey to survey, pick up wetland flags, and create a plan of the wetlands at Burncoat Park; The Commission can approve to use the NOI Reserve for Appropriation account to pay for the services.

Motion: Ms. Coyle moves to approve paying \$3,800 or an amount otherwise approved by DEP for Jarvis' services out of NOI reserve account.

Second: Mr. Cooper

Discussion: None

Vote: (4-0-0)

Board Reorganization

Motion: Ms. Coyle moves to keep the current board organization.

Second: Ms. Schold

Discussion: None.

Vote: (4-0-0)

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- August 11, 2021
- September 15, 2021
- October 13, 2021

Adjourn

Motion: Mr. Cooper

Second: Ms. Coyle

Discussion: None

Vote: (4-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Hultgren, Department Assistant

Documents included in the meeting packet:

- Request for Certificate of Compliance: 445 Pine St
 - WPA Form 8A
 - Letter from Murray Excavating dated 5/4/2021
 - As-built plans dated 10/19/2021
 - Site photos
- Request for Certificate of Compliance: Oakridge Estates (Virginia Drive)
 - ECOTEC Memo dated 6/22/2021
 - WPA Form 8A (197-0415 and 197-0652)
 - Plans
- Request for Certificate of Compliance: 565 Pine St
 - Graz Engineering Memo dated 7/6/2021
 - WPA Form 8A
 - Affidavit of Site Work Completion dated 7/6/2021
 - As-Built Plans dated 7/6/2021
- Request for Determination of Applicability: 144 White Birch St
 - Public Hearing Notice
 - WPA Form 1
 - Plans dated 5/24/2021
- Request for Determination of Applicability: 5 Hemlock St
 - Public Hearing Notice
 - WPA Form 1
 - Plans dated 6/17/2021
- Notice of Intent: 31 Chapel St
 - WPA Form 3
 - Project Description
 - Locus Map
 - Assessor's Map
 - Affidavit of Service – Glenn Krevosky dated 4/15/2021
 - Business Entity Summary Armory Street, LLC
- Notice of Intent: 0 Chapel St
 - WPA Form 3
 - Project Description
 - Locus Map
 - Assessor's Map
 - Affidavit of Service – Glenn Krevosky dated 4/15/2021
 - Business Entity Summary Armory Street, LLC
- Notice of Intent: 25 Auburn St
 - WPA Form 3
 - Memo from Land Stewardship Inc.
 - Locus Map
 - Project Narrative

- Notice of Intent: Greenville Pond
 - WPA Form 3
 - Invasive Plant Management Plan - Land Stewardship Inc
- Notice of Intent: 59 Burncoat Lane
 - ECOTEC memo dated 6/1/2021
 - WPA Form 3
 - ECOTEC memo dated 4/25/2021
 - DEP Bordering Vegetated Wetland Delineation Field Form
 - Locus Map
 - National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette
 - Plan dated 5/19/2021
- Notice of Intent: 21 Lake View Drive
 - Public Hearing Notice
 - WPA Form 3
 - Proposed septic system plans dated 5/19/2021
- Conservation Complaint Database
- Email from Bruce Webb dated 6/21/2021
- Email to Ahmad Ismail dated 6/23/2021
- Email from Glenn Krevosky dated 7/8/2021
- June 16, 2021 meeting minutes

Documents received at the meeting:

- Greenville Pond & Kettle Brook Trailhead Native Plant Replanting Project