

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Town of Monterey, Massachusetts 01245

Minutes from Regular Conservation Commission meeting.

MEETING: 12 October 1999

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Present: Chris Blair, Rick Andrus, Deborah Mielke, Ray Tryon, David Dempsey,
David Logan

Not in attendance: Richard Nault

Camp, R.D.A., 71 Tyringham Rd., Lake Garfield, Contact: Richard Nault

Chair read notice of Public Meeting. C. Blair had been to inspect the site in absence of Nault. R. Campbell, contractor, represented the applicant. Job is to replace 6 6X6 posts as foundation for main house. The front of the house is over the edge of the bank; the deck extends 8' into lake. The bank is reinforced and constructed of stones. The first row of posts is just behind the stone work. We asked the bales be installed on the lake bottom against the stone bank. All work is by hand.

The Determination was issued: Negative, N-3.

Bohem, Informal discussion, Stevens Lake

Contractor Dinan explained project: to relocate existing screen porch away from lake and replace it with an addition to existing house (on West side). It seemed to us that if a silt fence was installed to protect the concrete drainage channel and the lake that the project would be permissible. We suggested that the project be submitted under a RDA

Dolber, RDA, 141 Route 23, Stevens Lake, Contact: David Dempsey

Chair read notice of Public Meeting. T. Ingersoll, contractor, represented the applicant. Job is to cut and remove 12 – 15 trees from the buffer zone; many of the trees are dead from a previous fire. We indicated to T. Ingersoll that the first 25' from the Bank was a particularly sensitive area and that he should respect the paragraphs 10.53(3)(s) 1. – 5. T. Ingersoll indicated that he would prefer to do the work in the winter. Seeding and mulching of disturbed areas shall be provided. The Determination was issued: Negative, N-5 under 10.53(3)(s) as a limited project.

Crotty, RDA, Woodland Lane off Elephant Rock Rd., Lake Garfield, Contact: Deborah Mielke

Chair read notice of Public Meeting. M. Parsons, surveyor, represented the applicant. Work is to add 2nd floor to existing house and to add a small deck to northerly side of house. No plans were presented for work on house; only a site plan to show the deck and silt fence. We were uninformed as to any possible construction activity related to the house project: R. Tryon will vet the work when the Building Permit is submitted. The Determination was issued: Negative, N-3.

Jaffee, RDA., former Jayson Camp, Lake Garfield, Contact: David Logan

Chair read notice of Public Meeting. D. Mielke recused herself from deliberating because of a conflict of interest. M. Parsons, surveyor, represented the applicant. Delineation work was done by White Engineering, Shannon Lombardi. Work is to renovate an existing cabin for year-round use, add a deck, drill a water well, and install a pumped septic system designed to serve two houses. Work on the cabin and part of the SAS are in the buffer zone. The 2nd proposed house was shown in footprint only and outside of the

buffer zone. The site plan showed a silt fence protecting BVW and Buffer Zone from all work shown on drawings: 1st and 2nd houses, SAS, tanks, pump chambers, and septic lines. The Determination was issued: Negative, N-3 for work in the Buffer Zone and N-4 for work outside of the Buffer Zone.

Vallianos, RDA., Bidwell Rd., Lake Garfield, Contact: Chris Blair

Chair read notice of Public Meeting. David Dempsy recused himself from deliberating because of a conflict of interest. Peter Vallianos presented the application.

The work involved rearranging and resupporting with stone embankments an existing gravel drive with no net gain in fill; rebuilding an existing stone bank retaining wall, and placing 1 truck load of sand on the existing beach. The Determination was issued: Negative, N-5; 10.53(3) under (h) and (e).

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, informal letter, Monterey

A letter was submitted indicating work would be conducted on the gas pipe near a wetland that had been delineated. The writer said all work would be conducted using environmental mitigation measures based on the actual site. The writer said, "This work is exempt "maintenance" for which permits or approvals are not required under M.G.L. 131 Section 40. We beg to differ and feel a Request for Determination of Applicability is required for a limited project such as this. We will send a letter to the writer.

General discussion: Copies of the WPA policy decisions were distributed noting particularly Policy 99-1 covering work in the Buffer Zone and the amending of Orders of Conditions.

The Fire Chief asked to be informed of how the town may install Dry Hydrants in and around the town.

We are waiting from a request from the Selectboard regarding repair of the road to the Town Park, which has sunk into the river.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Blair