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Town of North Attleborough
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES
PUBLIC MEETING
49 Whiting Street, North Attleboro, MA
April 26, 2022 6:30 PM

A. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Linsie Dillon
Deb Cato
Clifford Bassett
Patricia Wash
Steven Farquharson

Members Absent:

Clayton Hutchinson
Jillian Miller

Staff Present: Shannon Palmer, Conservation Administrator

B. HEARING AND MEETING ITEMS (6:34PM)

1. Request for Determination (RDA), 404 East Washington Street, BAM Realty, RDA #22-01

The proposal is for improvements to the existing site including interior building renovations, parking lot and circulation changes, landscaping, and reduction of paved area. Portions of the proposed work is within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding (Flood Zone AE). The Vice-Chair, Linsie Dillon, read the legal notice into the record.

Brandon Carr, PE, of DiPrete Engineering speaking on behalf of John Butler, owner, and explained the proposed project to the Commission. The property is a paved parking area and existing commercial use. The Ten Mile River is located off to the western edge of the property with no work proposed within the 200 ft Riverfront Area. The majority of the site is in within the FEMA Flood Zone AE, with the building located out of the flood zone area. Plans are to renovate the inside of the building as well as the façade and in conjunction, improve the circulation of the parking on site with added landscaping. There is no proposed fill of the site, simply cutting out those areas of pavement and replacing them with landscaping resulting in a reduction of 4,000 sq. ft. of pavement from the site.

Shannon Palmer stated when work is proposed in a resource area, a Notice of Intent would generally be filed, however in this case there is no fill proposed and an engineer's certification was provided. When the project is complete it should be verified that there was no fill in the flood zone. Shannon added with regards to stormwater, the applicant is making improvements to the site by reducing the impervious area and adding landscaping, reducing runoff from the site which currently

sheet flows to the public street. Shannon also said she spoke to the DPW Director and there are no other stormwater improvements that can be made on the site.

Brandon Carr stated the majority of the site runoff sheet flows onto Rt 1 and is handled with state drainage with the remaining flows going to Chestnut St. But with the introduction of the landscape areas, there will be a small decrease in stormwater runoff.

Patricia Wash questions if the site presently or in the past floods out onto Rt 1.

Brandon Carr responded there have not been any flooding issues in that area, there are leaching basins or drywells underground that handle the water from the roof and doesn't believe there have been any issues with flooding.

Linsie Dillon asks what erosion control plans do they have for the site.

Brandon Carr plans to use an erosion control sock at all access points, and at the areas where the landscaping will be introduced until it is established.

Motion to issue a Negative #2 for 404 East Washington Street, Bam Realty, RDA #22-01 with special conditions for a Final As-Built Plan, made by Patricia Wash and seconded Steven Farquharson. Motion carried 4-0-1.

C. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Request for Fishing Derby, Whiting's Pond, The North Attleboro/Plainville Rotary Club, May 21, 2022

Motion to approve use of Whiting's Pond for the Annual Rotary Club Fishing Derby, May 21, 2022, made by Patricia Wash and seconded Deb Cato. Motion carried 4-0-1.

D. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes for March 15, 2022, made by Patricia Wash and seconded Deb Cato. Motion carried 4-0-1

E. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn public meeting at 6:50PM, made by Linsie Dillion and seconded by Patricia Wash. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Wash, Secretary