

**TOWN OF NEEDHAM
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 30, 2020**

Under Governor Baker's emergency "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c. 30A, S20," issued March 12, 2020 and in effect until termination of the emergency, meeting of public bodies may be conducted virtually provided that adequate access is provided to the public.

LOCATION: Zoom Virtual Platform – the meeting was held virtually per Governor Baker's Emergency Order.

ATTENDING: Janet Carter Bernardo (Chair), Sue Barber, William Murphy, Peter Oehlkers, Alison Richardson, Deb Anderson (Director of Conservation), Clay Hutchinson (Conservation Specialist).

GUESTS: Jon Batchelder, Karon Skinner Catrone, Michael Deychman, Todd Hargreaves, Amelia Tan.

J. Carter Bernardo opened the public meeting at 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES:

None.

ENFORCEMENTS AND VIOLATIONS

None.

HEARINGS:

18 JARVIS CIRCLE (DEP FILE #234-843) – *continued* NOTICE OF INTENT

K. Skinner Catrone reviewed the outstanding matters from the previous meeting, which included the submission of a waiver request for work within the 25-foot Butter Zone, clarification on the species on the planting plan, and issuance of a DEP File Number. Prior to the hearing the Applicant submitted a waiver request for work within the 25-foot Buffer Zone. DEP also issued a file number for the project. The Commission reviewed the waiver request, the plant species, and discussed inclusion of a special condition for the sump pump discharge detail.

Motion to close the hearing for 18 Jarvis Circle (DEP File #234-843) made by A. Richardson, seconded by W. Murphy, approved 5-0-0.

Motion to issue a waiver for work within the 25-foot Buffer Zone for 18 Jarvis Circle (DEP File #234-843) made by W. Murphy, seconded by S. Barber, approved 5-0-0.

Motion to waive the waiver fee for work within the 25-foot Buffer Zone for 18 Jarvis Circle (DEP File #234-843) made by W. Murphy, seconded by S. Barber, approved 5-0-0.

Motion to issue the Order of Conditions for 18 Jarvis Circle (DEP File #234-843) as amended, made by W. Murphy, seconded by S. Barber, approved 5-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

10-16 CHARLES STREET (DEP FILE #234-727) – REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

J. Batchelder presented the Request for Certificate of Compliance. J. Batchelder summarized the completed work and site history. The property had been sold before all of the Special Conditions had been met, and the previous owner stepped in to rectify the outstanding matters. There were some issues getting the mitigation plantings to take and the Applicant had previously met with Conservation Staff to review the plantings. At the time of the hearing the plantings had been installed and monitoring reports had been submitted. D. Anderson stated that they previously had trouble with the survival of the plantings, and only one growing season had been completed. A second monitoring report should be submitted in September after completion of the second growing season for consideration of a full Certificate of Compliance.

Motion to issue a partial Certificate of Compliance for 10-16 Charles Street (DEP File #234-727) made by A. Richardson, seconded by S. Barber, approved 5-0-0.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn by W. Murphy, seconded by A. Richardson, approved 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09p.m.

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING:

May 14, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. virtually broadcast through the Zoom Virtual Platform.