

**Marblehead Conservation Commission
Minutes July 10, 2014**

Meeting was held in the lower conference room at the Mary A. Alley Building, 7 Widger Road

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

Present were: Commission Members Fred Sullivan, Brian LeClair, David Depew, David Vanhoven and Don Tritschler. Also present was Willy Lanphear, Conservation Administrator.

The hearings were conducted under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Marblehead Wetlands Protection Bylaw.

Note: The commission currently has six members. Per the MACC Handbook, section 4.1.2, most lawyers agree that a quorum is "...a majority of commissioners currently serving". The quorum for this meeting is therefore four members.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of June 12, 2014. All members voted in the affirmative.

HEARINGS:

NOI 40-1175, 3 Kenneth Road

Appeared John & Holly Trautman, David Smith from GZA GeoEnvironmental

Proposed: Construction of a new timber pier with gangway & float; and construction of a new reinforced concrete wall to repair and overlay an existing concrete wall

Will build an overlay wall with anchoring

Will fill the void in the seawall.

Provided an overlay of a DEP eel grass bed map

The Committee issued an order of conditions with the following special conditions:

During construction:

32. This project shall not cause an increase in run-off onto adjacent properties or streets, either during construction or after completion. Appropriate measures shall be taken to prevent the movement of silt or debris onto adjacent properties, streets and Resource Areas.

33. There shall be no cleaning or rinsing of cement concrete ready-mix trucks, or cement concrete mixing equipment, such that the byproduct of the cleaning or rinsing operation finds its way to any resource area by any means, especially, but not limited to, by means of a storm drainage system (catch basins, pipes, drainage ditches, etc.).

35. All demolition debris shall be removed from the site as soon as possible and not stored within a resource area or a buffer zone. If a dumpster is used to contain debris, the dumpster shall be covered after each work day. The debris shall be properly disposed of in accordance with applicable federal, state and local regulations.

36. All construction material shall be stored outside the resource area and its buffer zone or as far back from the resource areas as possible.

37. The construction of the pier/dock and any structure over the water permanently secured to the earth shall withstand a 100-year storm without damage to the integrity of the structure. All piers/docks shall conform to the requirements of Chapter 91.

38. Any pressure-treated wood proposed to be used in the construction of a structure for land-based use shall be arsenic-free. Any pressure-treated wood proposed to be used in the construction of a structure for salt water contact shall be treated with Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) or other preservative approved by the EPA and/or the MADEP which is less polluting and harmful to the salt water and its environment.

39. All piers, docks and floats must follow the guidelines established in the document, "Small Docks and Piers – A Guide to Permitting Small Pile-Supported Docks and Piers" dated November 2003. Float stops are permitted provided they meet the aforementioned guidelines.

Post-construction/in perpetuity:

40. By voluntary agreement with the applicant, only organic fertilizers are to be used on the property landward of the resource areas. Fertilizers should not contain pesticides or herbicides; should contain slow release nitrogen and should not contain more than 3% phosphorous. To mitigate chemical runoff, do not fertilize directly before a rainstorm and do not over fertilize. Apply fertilizer in late April and in September (refer to: A Homeowner's Guide to Environmentally Sound Lawn care published by the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture and the booklet, Don't Trash Grass, published by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection). **This condition shall survive this order.**

41. Maintenance pointing and repairs of existing stone masonry walls and concrete walls including the replacement of an occasional missing stone or patching cracks and minor defects in a concrete wall are allowed as a surviving condition to this Order of Conditions. **The property owner shall inform the Conservation Commission in writing at least seven days prior to any proposed repointing or repair work on existing walls.** All dislodged and removed mortar/cement will be immediately contained and removed from the work site to prevent any such material from entering the resource waters. Any future razing, rebuilding or enlarging of the subject wall(s) will require the filing of a new Notice of Intent. **This condition shall survive this order.**

42. The repair/replacement of small sections of damaged caps on seawalls is allowed as a surviving condition. All dislodged and removed caps will be immediately contained and removed from the work site to prevent any such material from entering the resource waters. Prior to any work, the scope of the proposed repair/replacement must be approved by the Conservation

Commission. If the cap on a major length or on an entire wall needs to be repaired/replaced, this requires an NOI. **This condition shall survive this order.**

44. The back-filling of small areas of erosion landward of a seawall is allowed as a surviving condition provided the erosion is not on a coastal bank. This back-filling applies to areas defined primarily as Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage. Any work on a coastal bank requires an NOI. The back-fill material must be clean and compatible with the eroded material. Prior to any back-filling, the scope of the proposed back-filling must be approved by the Conservation Commission. **This condition shall survive this order.**

46. All gangways, docks or other items not permanently secured to the earth shall be stored during the "off season" (late fall, winter, early spring) so as to prevent them from causing any damage to other structures or resource area. **This condition shall survive this order.**

47. All gangways, docks or other items not permanently secured to the earth shall be properly secured and/or removed in the event of a major storm so as to prevent them from causing any damage to other structures or to the resource area. **This condition shall survive this order.**

48. All floats/docks will be so constructed so as not to bottom out (rest) on the ocean floor at low tides. **This condition shall survive this order.**

50. Invasive plants shall not be used nor maintained in the landscape of the project site. This applies to the existing landscape as well as to any proposed landscape. A list of invasive plants in Massachusetts can be found in the latest update of The Evaluation of Non-Native Plant Species for Invasiveness in Massachusetts (with annotated list) produced by the Massachusetts Invasive Plant Advisory Group. For most recent update, visit www.mnla.com or www.newfs.org. **This condition shall survive this order.**

51. Minor maintenance repairs to the superstructure only of the pier are allowed as a surviving condition of this order. Minor maintenance repairs are, typically, replacement of occasional deck boards, sections of hand rails, etc. Complete new decking, complete new hand rails or other such large repairs require an NOI. Minor maintenance repairs do not apply to the main support structure (stringers, bents, etc.) and do require an NOI. **This condition shall survive this order.**

54. The control drawing/s for this project were prepared by a licensed Professional Engineer. The construction of this project shall be regularly inspected by said licensed professional to insure that the project complies with the control drawing/s. Upon completion of the work authorized by this OOC, said licensed professional shall submit a written statement to the Conservation Commission certifying that the completed work is in substantial compliance with the control drawing and setting forth any deviations that may exist between the completed work and the plan approved by the Conservation Commission.

55. Upon completion of the work allowed under this Order of Conditions the applicant shall apply for a Certificate of Compliance (COC) (a) within 30 days after completion of the work or (b) thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the original or extended OOC, whichever time comes sooner. If no work was started under the OOC or if some of the work will not be performed, the applicant must still apply for a Certificate of Compliance at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the OOC. The Conservation Commission may require the submission of an "as

built" drawing (signed and stamped by a licensed Professional Engineer or licensed Professional Land Surveyor) with the application for the COC. Failure to submit an application for a COC shall result in a fine issued against the applicant in accordance with Marblehead Bylaws Chapter 194, Section 11E. **See Attachment "C" for "Schedule of Fines"**.

102. A tarp will be laid down at the base of the seawall during all repair work to capture all construction debris. The tarp will be on the seaward side of the seawall. The tarp will be rolled up and dumped into a disposal trailer as required throughout the work day and will be removed at the end of each work day.

XX. The Barge to be used during the construction shall not be allowed to "bottom out".

Applicants were instructed to provide the correct dimensions of the gangway.

RDA 127 Front Street

Appeared: Paul Lynch, attorney

Proposed: Demolition of the existing third floor deck, and construction of a new expanded third floor deck, and construction of two dormers on the existing building

All members voted to close this hearing and issue a negative determination.

NOI 40-1176, 11 Bartlett Street

Appeared: Bob McCann (attorney), Peter Ogren (Hayes Engineering), Steven Peterson

Proposed: Demolition of the existing house and construction of a new house with a new driveway, walkways, patio, drainage system, landscaping and all other associated site work and amenities

The applicants withdrew this Notice of Intent.

NOI 40-1177, 444 Atlantic Avenue

Appeared: Sharon F. Chaet & Gerald Berian (owners and applicants), Scott Patrowicz, John Pederson, (Shea Concrete), Wayne Johnson (East Excavation)

Proposed: Demolition of an existing timber retaining wall and construction of a new concrete block retaining wall

Control Drawings: prepared by Patrowicz Land Development Engineering (June 20, 2014) and prepared by SFC Engineering Partnership (no date)

Submitted material and a case study.

There will be no beach work and minimal repointing.

The Committee instructed the applicants to submit a cross-section of the wall. They were also told to comply with applicable railing requirements per the Building Codes.

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43. When the repair of a seawall entails the use of existing rip-rap which was previously located at the toe of the seawall but has been distributed onto the beach seaward of the seawall by wave action, the following applies. The rip-rap lying above the mean high tide line can be re-located to the toe of the seawall. The rip-rap lying at or below the mean high tide line cannot be disturbed. This special condition is not a surviving condition and is valid only for that work specified for this particular application. **The property owner shall inform the Conservation Commission in writing at least seven days prior to any proposed repair work on an existing existing riprap revetment.**

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NOI 40-1178, 26 Harbor Avenue

Applicant: BH Realty Trust

Proposed: Repairs and alterations to stabilize and protect the existing seawall

Control Drawing: prepared by Stephens Associates Consulting Engineers (June 25, 2014)

A letter from Division of Marine Fisheries (July 10, 2014) was presented.

Existing Order of Conditions only allows maintenance such as repointing.

All members voted to continue this application.

Enforcement Orders issued:

87 Naugus Avenue

Appeared: James Flanagan and Peter Ogren (Hayes Engineering)

An order of conditions was issued in 1994 with a special conditions allowing maintenance. The work done was deemed to be repair and not maintenance, therefore the work done was not covered by the order of conditions.

The committee voted to ratify the enforcement order.

Requests for Changes in Project Scope

NOI 40-1126 263 Ocean Avenue

Applicant: Ocean Realty Trust

Appeared: Scott Patrowicz, Patrowicz Land Development Engineering

Applicant wanted to revise the basement and crawl spaces (as a result of new 2014 FEMA lines)

Control Drawings: prepared by Patrowicz Land Development Engineering (June 27, 2014)

The Committee deemed this is a minor design change.

NOI 40-1036 3 Anchorage Lane

Applicant: Susan Livingston

Appeared: David Riordan (Riordan Construction)

Applicant wanted to install gas and electric lines in separate trenches. The applicant also wanted to install a generator on an existing concrete pad.

Site Plan prepared by Patrowicz Land Development Engineering (July 7, 2014)

The Committee deemed this is a minor design change.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.