



# Wellesley

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January 8, 2019

**Approved on January 24, 2019**

Members Present: Richard Howell, Chairman; Toby Stover; James McLaren

Members Not Present: Pete Jones, Vice Chairman; John Adams, Secretary

Staff Present: Julie Meyer (Wetlands Administrator); Danielle Marini (NRC Clerk/Board Support)

Guests: Patricia Kidik; Linda Mariani; Sharon Beckman; Peter Mariani; Beverly Rubin; Barry Coplestone; Penny Coplestone; Christopher Cantin; Diane Simonelli; Shari O'Leary; Jonathan Shuster; Christian Nagel; Fred Igoe; Brian Nelson; Holly Ganser; Chris Ridge; Bridget Belgiovine; Kiran Ryenhar; Raina McManus; Michael McManus; Chase Bernier

### **6:30 pm - Official Start**

#### **Administrative Business (J. Meyer)**

- December 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes – J. McLaren made, and R. Howell seconded, a motion to approve the December 13, 2019 meeting minutes. The WPC voted 3-0 in favor of approving the December 13, 2019 meeting minutes.
- 2019 Meeting Dates and Deadlines – The WPC stated that the proposed meetings dates are approvable other than the December 26<sup>th</sup> meeting date. There will not be a quorum for a meeting held that week. The WPC decided to change this meeting to December 19<sup>th</sup>. J. Meyer will adjust the deadlines for that meeting cycle. T. Stover made, and R. Howell seconded, a motion to approve the 2019 Meeting Dates and Deadlines, amending the December 26<sup>th</sup> date for December 19<sup>th</sup>. The WPC voted 3-0 in favor of approving the 2019 Meeting Dates and Deadlines, amending the December 26<sup>th</sup> date for December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Conflict of Interest Disclosure Forms – J. Meyer explained the Conflict of Interest Disclosure form with the WPC.
- Project Tracker – J. Meyer explained the new project tracker spreadsheet available in SharePoint. She stated that each individual board member can use this to keep track of meetings they miss.
- Wetland Permit Updates
  - Babson College – J. Meyer stated that she was out on the Babson College trail with the DPW and Denny Nackoney, the Trails Committee Chairman. Babson College is working on some issues on the trail, but this is outside of the resource area.

- 200 Oakland Street – J. Meyer stated that there was a wetland violation at 200 Oakland Street that is being fixed.
- Morses Pond – J. Meyer noted that the Morses Pond Annual Report has been sent out and is on the website.
- 900 Worcester Street – J. Meyer stated that water quality tests came in for 900 Worcester Street, and the applicant did not include two parameters, PAH and fecal coliform, that were expected of them. The WPC decided that as weather conditions permit, the applicant should take another baseline water quality test including all parameters that were expected of them. The WPC wants another baseline test before the Spring construction starts.

**Public Meeting Open** (Chairman)

**6:49 pm Public Voice** (J. Meyer)

- Linda Mariani – 36 Bay View Road – Stated that she was concerned about the 900 Worcester Street project and parking lot expansion.
- Michael McManus – Stated that he was concerned about the 900 Worcester Street pesticide use proposal. As an organic chemist, he is familiar with the effects of these pesticides.
- Penny Copplestone – 15 Bay View Road – Asked for clarification on why herbicides are necessary. She stated that as neighbors of Morses Pond, they have been asked to not use chemicals on their lawn, and is wondering why they would not want 900 Worcester Street to do that also.
- Pat Kidik – 33 Bay View Road – Stated that she was confused about abutters rights, and does not want any more established trees to be removed.
  - J. Meyer stated that abutters have appeal rights and can send her that information.
- Susan – Russell Road – Shared her concerns about 900 Worcester Street, and her concerns about the amount of invasives around Morses Pond. She wondered why this area is receiving attention regarding invasives, and wanted to know if there was a way to get rid of invasives without the use of chemicals.
- Raina McManus, NRC Vice Chairman – She stated that the NRC adopted a no pesticide use policy for NRC owned lands in 2007. In 2016, the policy was adopted for lands under the jurisdiction of the Selectmen. She stated that 900 Worcester Street falls under the jurisdiction of the Selectmen, so if pesticides are allowed to be used, they will need to receive a waiver from the Board of Selectmen.
- Sharon Beckman – 30 Bay View Road – Stated that she cares about the quality of water at Morses Pond and is interested in learning about the potential effects of herbicides on the pond. She said that she is also interested in learning about non-pesticide methods for removing invasives. And she commented that it is troubling to have a project continually come back for changes.
- Beverly Rubin – 9 Lexington Road – Stated that she was concerned about the use of pesticides and about the canopy loss.

**Public Hearings – New and Continued\*** (Committee)

**900 Worcester Street - 324-0845** (new Amended OOC)

6:58 pm

**People Present:** Chase Bernier

**Resource:** Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, Isolated Land Subject to Flooding, Isolated Vegetated Wetland, Riverfront Area

**Decision:** Continued to the next meeting.

**Special Conditions:** Remove 4 barberries in this area, and aggressively cut the bittersweet.

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:** None

**Applicant:**

- Submit a revised plan to the WPC that focuses on enhancement plantings, and revisit the invasive species management without the use of herbicides
- Submit an updated plant schedule to the WPC, adding in the value of the species
- Submit an illustration of the planting plan to the WPC for the abutters to better visualize the areas.

### **9 Old Farm Road - 324-0895** (continued NOI)

**People Present:** No one was present

**Resource:** Bordering Vegetated Wetland, 25-foot No-Disturbance Zone

**Decision:** Continued to the next hearing

**Special Conditions:** None

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:** None

**Applicant:**

- Communicate with the WPC
- Submit a mitigation plan to the WPC

### **37 Old Farm Road - 324-0838** (continued Amended OOC)

8:06 pm

**People Present:** Fred Igoe, Jonathan Shuster

**Resource:** 100-foot Vernal Pool Habitat

**Decision:** T. Stover made, and J. McLaren seconded, a motion to close and approve the Amended Order of Conditions under the State Act and Wellesley Bylaw. The WPC voted 3-0 in favor of closing and approving the Amended Order of Conditions under the State Act and Wellesley Bylaw.

**Special Conditions:**

- Page 3 – Item B3 – “straw wattle” will be removed from this condition. It will be added that the applicant will remove excess soil from the site and remaining soil will be tamped down. Straw wattle will be retained on site to be used as needed.
- Page 4 – Special Condition #1 – Will state that erosion controls will be applied if necessary.

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:**

- Finalize the Amended Order of Conditions with the discussed changes
- Issue the Amended Order of Conditions for 37 Old Farm Road.

**Applicant:** Pick up the issued Amended Order of Conditions from the NRC office.

### **12 Winding River Circle - 324-0894** (continued NOI)

8:20 pm

**People Present:** Diane Simonelli, homeowner

**Resource:** Riverfront Area, BLSF, Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, Buffer Zone to BVW

**Decision:** Continued to the next hearing

**Special Conditions:** None

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:** Send the applicant info on grid-pattern for bird safety once received from T. Stover.

**Applicant:**

- Submit an updated plan marking where the swale is.
- Submit an updated planting plan for the 25 ft. NDZ

**68 Dover Road - 324- 0897** (new NOI)

8:51 pm

**People Present:** Kevin O’Leary, Shari O’Leary, Susan MacArthur

**Resource:** Riverfront Area

**Discussion:**

**Decision:** Continued to the next hearing.

**Special Conditions:** None

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:**

- Draft the Order of Conditions and send to applicant and WPC
- Ask for DPW stormwater review

**Applicant:** None

**106 Central Street (Wellesley College) - 324-899** (new NOI)

9:02 pm

**People Present:** Holly Ganser, Chris Ridge, Bridget Belgiovine, Megan Bucynski

**Resource:** 100-foot Buffer Zone, 25-foot No-Disturbance Zone, Riverfront Area

**Decision:** Continued to the next hearing.

**Special Conditions:** None

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:** None

**Applicant:** Send update and delivery dates on open and expired permits.

**200 Dearborn Street – 324-0694** (new Partial COC)/**324-0898** (new NOI)

9:20 pm

**People Present:** Brian Nelson, Christopher Cantin, Kiran Ryenhar

**Resource:** 200-foot Riverfront Area

**Decision:** T. Stover made, and J. McLaren seconded, a motion to have Administrator draft the Order of Conditions for 200 Dearborn Street, under the State Act and Wellesley Bylaw, to be reviewed at the next hearing. The WPC voted 3-0 in favor of having J. Meyer draft the Order of Conditions for 200 Dearborn Street, under the State Act and Wellesley Bylaw, to be reviewed at the next hearing.

**Special Conditions:**

- The project must be completed by the end of this year (end of 2019).
- Planting must occur in Spring 2019

**Action Items:**

**Administrator:**

- Draft OOC and send to applicant and WPC
- Coordinate with Needham Conservation Commission and send Order of Conditions to them

**Applicant:** Send revised plan with only native species

**Adjournment (Chairman)**

T. Stover made, and J. McLaren seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting. The WPC voted 3-0 in favor of adjourning the meeting at 9:41 pm.