

**TOWN OF NEEDHAM
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, August 27, 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: David Kelly, Peter and Irene Murray, Steve Rhodes, Bruce Ringwall.

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

MINUTES:

None.

ENFORCEMENTS AND VIOLATIONS

None.

HEARINGS:

None.

OTHER BUSINESS:

182 EDGEWATER DRIVE (DEP FILE #234-555) – REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Steve Rhodes, the Applicant, was present for the discussion. S. Rhodes stated that the remaining planting work had been completed and the reports had been submitted. D. Anderson stated that she had performed the site visit and the plantings were in great condition. Staff recommended issuing a complete Certificate of Compliance.

Motion to issue a complete Certificate of Compliance for 182 Edgewater Drive (DEP File #234-555) made by S. Barber, seconded by W. Murphy, approved 5-0-0.

723 CHARLES RIVER STREET (DEP FILE #234-838) – REQUEST FOR PARTIAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Bruce Ringwall of GPR Engineering Solutions was present on behalf of the Applicants. B. Ringwall stated that the Applicants did not plan to move forward with the original construction activities that were approved under the Order of Conditions. There were mitigation plantings that were required by an Enforcement Order that was issued before the Order of Conditions. B. Ringwall noted that the required plantings were completed and reviewed the planting plan as planted. The 25-foot Buffer Zone emblems were also installed. The Applicant requested a partial Certificate of Compliance to close out the work that will no longer be pursued as well as to

complete the 2-year monitoring period for the mitigation plantings that were completed. B. Ringwall also noted that the cost estimate of the 2-year monitoring will be placed in escrow as the property is under agreement to be sold, to ensure that the monitoring gets conducted under new owners.

Motion to issue a partial Certificate of Compliance for 723 Charles River Street (DEP File #234-838) made by W. Murphy, seconded by S. Berber, approved 5-0-0.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn by W. Murphy, seconded by S. Barber, approved 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50p.m.

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING:

September 10, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. virtually broadcast through the Zoom Virtual Platform.