



Meeting Minutes - Edgartown Conservation Commission
February 9, 2022 (4 pm)

Commissioners present:

Peter Vincent (Chair), Christina Brown, Jeff Carlson, Geoffrey Konje, Lil Provence & Max Gibbs

Commissioners not present: Bob Avakian

Staff: Jane Varkonda (Agent), Kara Shemeth (Admin)

Public in attendance: Chris Alley, Chuck Sullivan, Stephen & Karen Sissleman, Tracey Smith, Sarah Campbell, Amy Denton, Jennifer DaSilva, Ken Hamel, Donna Giovannini, Maria, Scott, Warren & Debra Gaines, Andre Mallegol, Cody Coutino (VLS)

4:00 - NOI – Public Hearing (SE20-1629) Eiffel Nominee Trust

Address: 6 Noras Lane (AP 29A-63.6)

Representative: Cody Coutino, Vineyard Land Surveying

Project: NOI for the construction and maintenance of an addition to an existing dwelling, a new garage, swimming pool, septic system and associated landscaping

Cody Coutino presented the project. The addition and part of the leaching field are within the buff to the man-made pond, the pool is on the northern side of the property with the house in between the pool and the pond. The pond is lined and has no connection to ground water.

Comments: None

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to approve as presented
Passed unanimously via roll call vote. 1 abstention (C. Brown, signed on late)

4:05 – Public Hearing – Conservation Commission Fees

A spreadsheet showing a comparison of the local and regional fees was displayed. Commissioners opted to increase the local fee to \$100 rather than the current \$25 and went with the proposed fees for all the others.

Notice of Intent (NOI) \$100.00
Request for Determination (RDA) \$50.00
Amended Order of Conditions \$100.00
Extension of an Order of Conditions \$100.00
Certificate of Compliance (CoC) \$100.00
Re-issuance of any document \$50.00
note: any "after-the-fact" filings will be charged double

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to adopt new fees as shown above.

Passed unanimously via roll call vote.

4:11 - NOI – Public Hearing (SE20-???) Ralph & Shellene Santana

Address: 8 Old Wintucket Way (AP 27-3.5)

Representative: Reid Silva, Vineyard Land Surveying

Project: NOI seeking permission to trim, prune, and remove vegetation within a view channel and landscape area adjacent to the house.

Cody Coutino spoke with Reid Silva earlier, the applicants are proposing a new house within 300' of the Great Pond so additional filing is necessary. Cody gave a brief description of the new construction being proposed and discussed the proposed view channels are the closest portions of the project to a resource area.

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to continue to the next hearing to allow for a site visit and reception of the extra filing materials.

Passed unanimously via roll call vote.

NOI – Continued Public Hearing (SE20-1622) JFS Realty Trust (Sissleman)

Address: 100 Edgartown Bay Road (AP51-23)

Representative: Chris Alley, SBH & Chuck Sullivan, Sullivan & Associates

Project: RDA regarding the construction of a replacement dwelling, garage, swimming pool, the upgrading of a septic system, and related site work with significant grading.

Chris presented a revised plan showing spot grades per abutters' request and the extension of the french drain another 80' for a total of 100' along the property line. The solution and extra topography has been shared with the abutters and has successfully addressed their concerns.

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to approve as presented with standard conditions.

Passed unanimously via roll call vote.

NOI – Continued Public Hearing (SE20-1628) Vineyard Vibes LLC

Address: 9 Lessen Way AP 13-22

Representative: Tracey Smith, SBH, Chuck Sullivan, Sullivan & Associates

Project: NOI to replace an existing single family dwelling with a new single family dwelling, pool and pool house.

Chuck presented the grading plan with some highlights to call attention to the proposed grading. Commissioners asked about the plans for the area where the current house is once that structure is removed. The current plan is for it to remain meadow. There were concerns raised by abutters regarding the septic, which were addressed by the Board of Health's approval of the plan and by the engineers. Amy Denton, an abutter, had several questions regarding the project, all of which are on file with the Conservation Commission and were addressed by staff. The unique habitat of the site was addressed by neighbors and they spoke of their hopes that as much remains as possible and that landscaping be planned so that privacy is retained by all parties. All construction traffic will access through Lessen Way with no access planned for Eel Pond Lane.

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to approve as presented with standard conditions.

Passed unanimously via roll call vote.

The following NOIs are still awaiting landscaping modifications to bring them into compliance with previous Orders of Conditions:

NOI (SE20-1627) Alexander-Gammill (143 Plantingfield Wy)

NOI (SE20-1623) Goodsill-Aurbach (56 Dike Bridge Rd)

Representatives: Kris Houruchi, Doug Hoehn, SBH

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to continue the hearings to the next meeting.

Passed unanimously.

Discussion: The Amity Island Running Club has requested permission to hold their annual 5k at Katama Farm.

The race was approved by the Commissioners.

Minutes: a motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from 1/26/22

Passed unanimously via roll call vote with one abstention (M. Gibbs)

Discussion: The Trustees have asked for a temporary extension of their lease at Katama Farm until the end of the month.

Action: A motion was made, and seconded, to extend the lease another 30 days.

Passed unanimously.

Discussion: Max Gibbs brought up the state of the whale tail, whale boat and flag pole. Jane stated that there is money to fix it up and we can look into getting the work done while the crane is on location for the Memorial Wharf project.

Action: Motion to adjourn.

Passed unanimously via roll call vote