

Minutes of a Conservation Commission Meeting - 11 February 2015

Members present: Peter Vincent - Chairman, Jeff Carlson, Lil Province, Geoff Kontje

Absent: Stuart Lollis, Christina Brown, Bob Avakian

Staff: Lisa Morrison, Jane Varkonda

Farm Institute Howard Miller - board member, Jonathan Chatinover – president, and Jon Previant - executive director, were present to discuss renewing the lease on Katama Farm for a second ten-year term. A roll call vote was taken and all agreed to enter into executive session to discuss pending real estate matters. The board voted unanimously at approximately 4:35 p.m. to enter into executive session.

At 5:20 the board reconvened in regular session.

Fuller NOI to place rip rap behind the bulkhead on North Neck Road. Richard Barbini was present for the applicant. He said that this is just a preliminary meeting as the abutters have not yet been notified. The current bulkhead is in disrepair. The Fullers would like to build a stone revetment on the landward side of the bulkhead. All construction would be from the landward side. The existing timber bulkhead will be removed. MHW is located right at the bottom of the existing bulkhead. The project would involve excavating down approximately 2 to 3 feet and placing 2 to 4 foot diameter stones. The existing beach grass will need to be replanted after the excavation.

James Glavin of Deca commented that there is significant erosion in the area. Kontje said that he would like to see a larger view that includes more than just this one property. Mr. Barbini noted that most of the properties in this area – with the exception of that owned by the Land Bank – are armored. After some further discussion, it was agreed to continue the hearing until March 4th and schedule a site visit.

North Water Street Properties (Stafford) NOI to install a 6 x 16 float and an additional spile. Richard Barbini representing applicant. Marine Advisory Committee has reviewed and approved the project with a proviso. NW Street Properties also owns the adjacent property. The pier guidelines call for a minimum of 50 feet between piers. In this case there is only 32-feet between the end of the float and the adjacent pier. MAC has mandated that if one of the properties is sold, the float would need to be removed. Mr. Barbini explained that the float would be removed in the off-season. He explained that the existing small platform is not wide enough for safe access. Carlson made a

motion to approve the project as presented. Province seconded the motion.
Unanimously approved with conditions.

BRUSH continued at applicant's request.

SHERIFF'S MEADOW continued at applicant's request.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Approved: _____