Minutes of a Conservation Commission Meeting - 3 September 2014

Members present: Bob Avakian, Christina Brown, Stuart Lollis, Jeff Carlson, and Peter Vincent – Chairman

Absent: Lil Province, Edo Potter

Staff: Jane Varkonda, Lisa Morrison

PUBLIC HEARINGS

**Lighthouse Beach Marina** – Reconfigure, expand, maintain & license existing pier system, dredge @ 300 cubic yards, off North Water Street. Richard Barbini present for the applicants – Josh Weeks and Geoffrey Caraboolad. The reconfiguration plan was discussed – the existing L will be moved from the outer section to an inner section. A float will also be removed from the outer portion.

John Connors, an abutter, asked if this would be a commercial marina. Mr. Barbini said that there will be no appreciable change in use. The pier is currently where the Harbor View keeps its boats, and the new owners have agreed to keep that arrangement in place at least for the first year. Barbini noted that no substantial expansion is planned and the project does not meet the state's standard for a commercial marina. Both the owners have their own boats and plan to keep them on this dock.

After some further discussion, it was agreed to continue the hearing until the next meeting, 17 September, for comment from the Marine Advisory Committee.

**Woolf** – Request for a determination to construct an addition to an existing residence, Oyster-Watcha. Debra Cedeno from Architecture Indigo was present for the applicant. Jeff Carlson made it known that he lives in Oyster-Watcha and is employed there as a caretaker. There were no objections to his sitting. Ms. Cedeno noted that the parcel is 14-acres and the house is approximately 4000 s.f. The addition will be in zone 2 of the Ponds District, but it will be well screened from Ripley's Cove. Vincent noted that the lot is heavily vegetated.

The project basically involves closing in a portion of a second floor deck above existing stone terraces. There will be no substantial change in the footprint, just some squaring off of a new foundation.

After some further discussion, Avakian made a motion to issue a negative determination. Lollis seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. Applicant is aware that a sign-off from the Oyster-Watcha Architectural Review Committee will be required. **Lindequist** (Continuation) NOI site-work and view maintenance, off Earl Avenue. Mr. & Mrs. Lindequist were present. Vincent gave a brief report of the site visit. He said the project looked fairly straightforward. No removal of vegetation is proposed – just maintenance pruning. Brown made a motion to issue an order with the condition that the agent review the work on-site. Lollis seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS:

**Morash** Violation. Town counsel is still reviewing the agreement with Sheriff's Meadow to see if Morash has permission to mow certain areas. Continued to next meeting.

**Katama Farm** The solar installation required removal of portions of the electric cow fencing. The Farm Institute would like ACE to pay for the reinstallation, which they estimate will cost \$5000. The Farm Institute said that ACE had agreed to do this, but is now saying that it is not their responsibility. The Farm Institute would like the town to discuss this with ACE. Brown suggested that the matter be referred to the Selectmen.

**CPC** The Commission voted unanimously to recommend that Peter Vincent be the Commission's appointment to the CPC.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_