WEST TISBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING

March 11, 2014

Present: Peter Rodegast, Chair, Whit Griswold, Prudy Burt, and Binnie Ravitch

Absent: Nate Morgan and Tara Whiting

Staff Present: Maria McFarland

Also present for all or part of the meeting: Margaret Logue, Lil Provence, Cheryl Doble, Linda Hearn, Barbara Day, Tim Boland and Robert Day

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:10 P.M.

Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the January 28 meeting as revised. All in favor.

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Public Hearings/Meetings None

Old Business:

Map 32 Lot 97/SE79-327/Landscape plan:

The landscape subcommittee for the library was in for final approval of the landscaping plan for the library as required under special condition # 13 of the Order of Conditions. As requested at the meeting on the preliminary plan held on August 13, 2013, the path has been located so that only a short section of it encroaches into the first 100 feet of the Riverfront Area and the plant list revised to remove the wetland species.

Cheryl Doble reviewed the plan showing the Woods family memorial garden and the areas to be reseeded using the Cape Cod seed mix approved by this board at the November 12, 2013 meeting.

Cheryl said that the landscape committee is working with Matt Pelikan and Tom Chase of the Nature Conservancy on an educational garden. There will be bird and owl boxes located around the area. Alley Moore is working on signage about fragmentation of landscapes with funding from the Edey Foundation.

There will be no new grade changes or changes to the storm water drainage system approved under the original Order.

Tim Boland talked briefly of some work the committee would like to do on trimming invasive species on the library property and on the adjacent Barron property (formerly Maley). Commissioners agreed this was new work that would require a new Notice of Intent, written permission from the property owner and from Vineyard Conservation Society, holders of a conservation restriction on that property.

Upon completion of the presentation, a motion was made and seconded to approve the landscape plan for the library as presented. The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Map 1 Lot 45 and 46/ Leo DeSorcy: Maria reported that the Joe Tierney, local building inspector, was doing an inspection on a property adjacent to Leo's and noticed that several trees in the buffer zone appear to have been cut down recently. Joe took pictures which the board reviewed. This is the second time in the last 6 months that unauthorized work has taken place on this property. Maria was instructed to make an appointment with Leo for a site visit. Prudy said an Enforcement Order should be done immediately.

New Business:

Map 3-65.2 /Case-Senchak/ Administrative Review for removal of two trees near studio: Ken Hurd, caretaker for Ms. Case-Senchak, submitted an e-mail request and photos showing the two trees the property owner would like permission to remove. A motion was made and seconded to approve this work. The vote on the motion was Peter, Whit and Binnie – yes. Prudy – no. Motion carried.

Map 36 Lot 27/ Russell: Members reviewed the project plan submitted to the ZBA for a special permit for the purpose of determining if a Notice of Intent was required for this project. The house has been sited just outside the buffer zone. Members thought that a limit of work line would be sufficient. Maria will ask the architect to submit a letter and project plan for an administrative review. Maria will provide comments to the ZBA for possible conditions for the ZBA permit.

Administrative:

Correspondence:

In: DEP Waterways/ Chapter 91 License application/Segal DEP Waterways/ Chapter 91 License application/Kaufman MVLB/ Final Version of the Short Cove Preserve Management Plan dated 1/6/14

There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria McFarland Board Administrator APPROVED