

TOWN OF BRIGHTON CONSERVATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Attending were:

Dennis Adams, Chairperson
Susan Riblett
Diane Richeson
Sara Rubin
David Ryder

Rick DiStefano, Secretary

Erinn Ryen and George Smith were excused

1. Public Forum

None

2. Meeting Minutes

Review of the March 7, 2017 meeting minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Communications Received

Letter, with attachments, from Timothy Keef, Commissioner of Public Works, dated March 28, 2017, regarding town tree removals.

4. Presentations

None

5. Project Reviews

11P-03-16 2077 South Clinton Avenue

- All previous comments appear to have been adequately addressed.

4P-02-17 2140 - 2150 South Clinton Avenue

- The tree earmarked for removal on 2150 South Clinton Avenue should be replaced or replanted (if possible) elsewhere on the site.

4P-03-17 1944 - 1996 South Clinton Avenue

- Although the Board would like to see some mitigation for the loss of greenspace, they understand the difficulty of adding additional landscaping to the site.

4P-05-17 200 Jefferson Road

- Green infrastructure techniques should be considered for the site.

4P-NB1-17 Pinnacle Hill Subdivision

- The Board applauds the use of green infrastructure techniques throughout the subdivision.
- Tree survey should include condition of tree(s) and worthiness for protection. Also show those trees to be removed (possibly by showing the proposed tree clearing line on the tree inventory plat) and total number of trees to be removed.
- The applicant is using cluster development to limit the unavoidable loss of a portion of the woodlot. However, mitigation is still required and may include additional tree plantings on each individual lot.
- Clarify the conservation easement area that encroaches onto lots 2 - 7. Can this area be removed from the lots and added to the parcel conveyed to the Town? If not, what other means of protection are available?

4P-NB2-17 1201 Elmwood Avenue

- Woodlot mitigation will be required.
- Where and how will onsite stormwater mitigation be resolved?
- Green infrastructure techniques should be used throughout the project.
- Protection of wetlands is vital.
- Additional comments may arise as plans progress.

6. EMC Report

No report.

7. Staff Report

No report.

8. Green Report

No report.

9. New Business

None

10. Old Business

None

11. Tree Council Review

In regards to the proposed tree removal at:

218 Mayflower Drive

46" Silver maple

The Council is in agreement with the evaluation and supports the removal of the identified tree. As recommended, the Council encourages a properly sized replacement tree be planted as soon as possible.

In regards to the proposed tree removal at:

87 N. St Regis Drive

33" Silver maple

The Council is in agreement with the evaluation and supports the removal of the identified tree. However, although a replacement tree is not recommended, the Council believes that there is room for a properly sized replacement and that one should be considered.

Next Meeting Date

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 PM. The next regular meeting will be 7:00 PM, **May 9, 2017**.

Respectfully submitted: Rick DiStefano 4/24/2017