

TOWN OF BRIGHTON CONSERVATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
March 9, 2021

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

Dennis Adams, Chairperson
Karen Berger, V-Chairperson
Susan Riblett
Mitchell Nellis
George Smith
David Briden
Christine Corrado, Councilperson
Rick DiStefano, Secretary

1. Public Forum

None

2. Meeting Minutes

Review of the February 9, 2021 meeting minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Communications Received

Letter from Mike Guyon, Commissioner of Public Works, dated February 22, 2021 regarding potential Town tree removals.

4. Presentations

None

5. Project Reviews

9P-NB1-20 1705 Clover Street (revised plans)
Presented by Matt Tomlinson, Marathon Engineering

- The Board reviewed the revised plans and supports the reduction in building square footage, reduction of impervious surface and the retaining of trees that were originally planned to be removed. This revision helps soften the office use in a residential district.

Previous comments

- As stated earlier, the western boundary between the parking lot and neighbors on Council Rock Avenue needs to be properly screened as required by code regulations. This screening should be installed by the applicant on the church/office property and not be reliant on the neighboring properties fencing to meet code requirements.

- The sidewalk along Clover Street should be repaired not removed (it appears the revised plans do not include removal of the sidewalk).
- It appears some green infrastructure techniques are being incorporated, can this be expanded?

3P-NB1-21 1950 & 1966 Monroe Avenue

Presented by John Scriabba, Landtech, Lous Terragnoli and Ken Perelli, Quicklees

- Option #3 is encouraged by the Board, followed by option #2 and then option #1. The Board understands that Option #3 presents challenges but will offer a new urbanism approach bringing together elements which support pedestrian and bicycle access.
- Green infrastructure techniques need to be incorporated and green building practices considered.
- As shown on option #3 consideration should be given to providing an EV charging station on the site.
- Consideration should be given to the reuse of building materials from the demolition of the existing buildings.
- Special attention should be given to the northwest corner of the lot (intersection of Monroe Avenue and Elmwood Avenue).
- The Board will provide additional comments as plans progress.

6. EMC Report

No meeting.

7. Staff Report

No report.

8. Green Report

No report.

9. New Business

George pulled together information for the Board regarding urban forestry projects and funding through state grants.

10. Old Business

Arbor Day planting events - April 10, 17, 24 and May 1 in conjunction with Brighton Rotary

11. Tree Council

The Council received tree evaluation report(s) for:

1900 Monroe Avenue (on Chelmsford)

12" Pine

The Tree Council reviewed the evaluation form and visited the site. The Council is in agreement with the evaluation and supports the removal of the identified tree, and as recommended agrees replacement a trees should be planted at the removal sight.

Next Meeting Date

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10 PM. The next regular meeting will be 7:00 PM, **APRIL 13, 2021.**

Respectfully submitted: Rick DiStefano 4/5/2021.