

**Newburyport Conservation Commission**  
**April 19, 2022**  
**Online Meeting**  
**Minutes**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Joe Teixeira called an online meeting of the Newburyport Conservation Commission to order at 6:45 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

In attendance were members Carole Wagan, Steve Moore, Joe Teixeira and Dan Warchol. Paul Healy and David Vine were absent. Conservation Administrator Julia Godtfredsen was also in attendance.

**3. Minutes**

Carole Wagan moved to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2022, meeting. Steve Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).

**4. Old and New Business**

**Plum Island Updates**

A recent storm damaged the coir bag erosion control system. A video was circulated that showed posts floating in the water. The bags themselves appear to be intact, but potentially could begin to shift. The next step has not yet been determined.

**5. Certificates of Compliance, Requests for Determinations, Requests for Minor Modifications**

**Steven French**

**164 Water Street**

**Request for Determination of Applicability**

The applicant is proposing to demolish a one-car garage that has deteriorated. A new two-story garage would be constructed on the same footprint. The property is in the AE zone and the base flood elevation is 12. The finished floor elevation of the new garage would be 13.4, which would be slightly higher than that of the existing structure. The garage space would be unfinished, while the second-story room would be finished.

Steve Moore moved to issue a Negative 2 Determination. Dan Warchol seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).

**6. Public Hearings**

Steve Moore moved to open the public hearings. Dan Warchol seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).

**Raymond R. Kingman, Jr.**

**10 75<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Notice of Intent**

**DEP File #051-1060**

The applicant requested a continuance. Dan Warchol moved to continue the public hearing to the May 3 meeting. Carole Wagan seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).

**Michael and Michelle Ywuc**

**11 Flora Street**

**Notice of Intent**

The applicant requested a continuance. Julia Godtfredsen said DEP is requiring the applicant to address the riverfront standards. The property is located in the basin, which the river may or may not include. The issue has not arisen for other properties in the basin.

Steve Moore moved to continue the public hearing to the May 3 meeting. Dan Warchol seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).

Carole Wagan moved to close the public hearings. Steve Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).

**7. Order of Conditions**

None

**8. Enforcement**

**3 Q Street**

A coastal engineer is preparing a report on the way the alterations have impacted the wall and the appropriate way for it to be maintained. The matter will be discussed after the report has been received. Julia Godtfredsen said the work might be better handled under an RDA than the Enforcement Order.

**9. Other Business**

Steve Moore reported on the Colby Farm Lane Pollinator Meadow. The multiflora rose and weeds have been removed and plastic sheeting has been placed on the ground. Plants will be installed in a portion of the area in the fall and seeds will be sown in the remaining area next spring.

**10. Adjournment**

Steve Moore moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. Carole Wagan seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote (Steve Moore, yes; Carole Wagan, yes; Dan Warchol, yes; Joe Teixeira, yes).