

Conservation Commission Meeting
Sharon Community Center
January 18, 2018- DRAFT

Peg Arguimbau, Chair, Keevin Geller, Alan Westman and Stephen Cremer were the members present. Meredith Avery, John Wasserman and Mike Donatelle were not present. The Conservation Administrator, Greg Meister, was present.

A sign-in sheet is on file in the office listing other attendees of the meeting.

Meeting started at 7:45pm

7:45pm – Notice of Intent

Senior Aerospace Metal Bellows - 1075 General Edwards Highway

Arguimbau opened hearing by reading public notice.

David Johnson of Norwood representing the applicant. Joining him were Joanna Hilvert of Macchi Law and Daniel Cordeiro, Facilities Manager of Senior Aerospace.

Johnson gave a brief history of Senior Aerospace and current plans:

- Company began around the 1960's. The current owner purchased the company in 1994. Senior Aerospace has presented to the Commission numerous times over the years. Most recently, in 2005, for drainage improvements at the site.
- Existing system consists of a treatment train of catch basins, manholes and vortechnic units prior to infiltration and/or discharge to adjacent wetlands.
- At this time they are preparing to undertake another addition to the building with increased parking.
- A new state of the art stormwater system has been designed to mitigate the increase in both the rate and volume of the runoff. The design addresses the recharge of stormwater runoff and sedimentation controls such that the additional impervious lot coverage will not result in decreased recharge to groundwater or increased impact of the wetland resource area (providing systems are maintained properly)
- The site lies within the groundwater protection overlay district and is upstream of a Walpole public well field.
- The new stormwater treatment system will run parallel to the existing stormwater treatment system, with runoff from the older system being diverted out of the wetlands.

Senior Aerospace is present tonight asking permission from the Commission to add an additional discharge point.

Johnson explained that the stormwater treatment train provides for the collection of stormwater runoff from all impervious areas via a conventional catch basin, pipe and manhole system. In order to ensure the quality of runoff, Contech stormwater treatment units will be provided as additional pre-treatment prior to discharge to the subsurface infiltration Cultec chambers. The systems will be located in two areas on the site. Both systems will have identical treatment trains. A third area will also exist, which will provide for infiltration of roof runoff only which will be redirected from running into the wetlands. A treatment unit is not required for the roof runoff.

Johnson explained to the Commission that all State requirements for discharge have been met. O’Cain, Town Engineer for Sharon has signed off on the stormwater calculations and the Stormwater Management Plan.

Johnson explained that the stormwater systems will run independently and parallel to each other.

Meister asked how much undeveloped land is left. Johnson was not sure, but estimated approximately 2 acres.

Abutters:

Bill Abbot representing the Walpole Sewer and Water Commission. He is present this evening due to concern of location of proposed project and prior history with applicant. Abbot noted that Walpole has a large well located in the vicinity and they are concerned with potential impacts to this well. (Years ago, this well was impacted by Senior Aerospace and the site needed to be remediated. Abbot wishes no further impact).

Johnson assured Abbot that Senior Aerospace is aware of what has taken place in the past and is taking measures to ensure that no problems will arise from planned addition. They have been working with Geosight Consulting, the remediation firm Walpole contracts with to ensure that there will be no problems with proposed treatment system for Senior Aerospace. Additionally, Johnson has been meeting with various Town of Walpole officials to keep them updated on Senior Aerospace plans. A meeting had been scheduled with the Walpole Sewer and Water Commission, but unfortunately was rescheduled to next Monday, after tonight’s meeting. Johnson will provide the Water & Sewer Commission the same presentation as this evening and will be happy to answer any questions members may have. Senior Aerospace is cognizant of the sensitivity of the site and concerns of the Town of Walpole, and they wish to work with the Town.

Johnson noted that the planned expansion will consist of approximately 2/3rds of office space with an increase of about 40 employees over the next eight years.

Arguimbau noted that if hearing was closed this evening, the abutter will have 21 days to lodge any concerns. She asked Abbot to notify the office if any concerns arise after Monday’s meeting. For projects which encompass work along each other’s borders, it is important for Town’s to work together.

Motion to close hearing
Cremer, Geller 4-0—0
Orders per plan, notify the office when project begins.

Extension Permit for Orders of Condition

126 Morse Street – Piazza

Commission members signed the extension permit. The applicant has not yet decided what they want to do at the site and has asked for an extension.

Other Business:

Approval of Meeting Minutes December 21, 2017

Motion to accept minutes

Cremer, Westman 4-0-0

CR for Billings Street.

Applicant is completing paperwork for the State regarding possibility/eligibility to receive tax credits. Hopefully will hear back in next two weeks.

Next Meeting

- Open space survey
- Elections

Lake update

Water is up a bit. There were no issues from the recent storm. People have been skating and ice fishing.

Saphire Manor. Preconstruction meetings have been held and things have been straightened out.

Vouchers

Members signed.

Motion to adjourn

Cremer, Geller 4-0-0