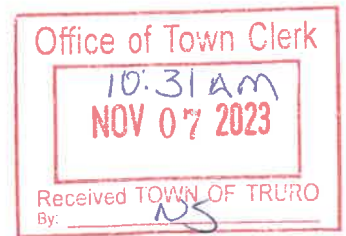




**TOWN OF TRURO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**
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Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes: October 2, 2023

Commissioners Present: Chair Carol Girard-Irwin; Vice Chair Linda Noons-Rose; Commissioners Clint Kershaw, Bob White & Diane Messinger **Others Present:** Emily Beebe, Conservation Agent. **Absent:** Commissioner Larry Lown

This was a remote meeting. Chair Carol Girard-Irwin called the meeting and public hearings to order at 5:03 P.M. and provided the virtual meeting instructions.

Notice of Intent: 544 Shore Road, Beach Townhomes Condominium Trust (SE#75-1171): install bulkhead; Barrier Beach, Coastal Beach, Coastal Dune, Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (Map 7, Parcel 5) The applicant requested a continuance until November 6, 2023. **Motion:** Commissioner White moved to continue the hearing until November 6, 2023; **Second:** Commissioner Kershaw; **Vote:** 5-0-0; the motion passed.

Notice of Intent: 522 Shore Road, Sutton Place Condominium (SE#75-1187): coastal stabilization; Barrier Beach, Coastal Dune, and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage. (Map 7, Parcel 8) The applicant requested a continuance until November 6, 2023. **Motion:** Chair Carol Girard-Irwin moved to continue the hearing until November 6, 2023; **Second:** Commissioner Messinger; **Vote:** 5-0-0; the motion passed.

Notice of Intent: 525 Shore Road Unit 7, Paul & Cheryl Silvernail (SE#75-1180): After-the-fact filing; construction of retaining wall & creation of lawn; Barrier Beach, Coastal Dune, Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (Map 6, Parcel 5.7) The Chair gave a brief recap of this after-the-fact Notice of Intent filing. The previous representative, Paul Shea, is no longer under contract with the homeowners. The Agent stated that conditions to approve this filing would include a stop work order until the permit is issued by the town for the installation of the fence and removal of the retaining wall. The fence location should be staked for conservation staff to review during a pre-construction site visit that would occur after the issued order of conditions is recorded with the Barnstable Registry of Deeds. Chair Carol Girard-Irwin confirmed with homeowner Paul Silvernail that he understood the conditions for approval of the Notice of Intent. Mr. Silvernail affirmed his understanding of the conditions. **Motion:** Commissioner White moved to approve the Notice of Intent for 525 Shore Road Unit 7 with the conditions that a pre-construction visit occur prior to the fence installation, the fence location to be staked for said site visit and the retaining wall and loam be removed from the property; **Second:** Commissioner Messinger; **Vote:** 5-0-0; the motion passed.

Notice of Intent: 566 Shore Road Ocean Breeze Condominium (SE#75-1186): shoreline stabilization; Barrier Beach, Coastal Dune, and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage. (Map 5, Parcel 29)

Chair Carol Girard-Irwin noted that this site has now been properly staked. Stan Humphries with Environmental Consultants described the need for the project. They are proposing to reestablish the primary frontal dune by installing a sand drift fence and a coir log array, nourishment, and beach grass plantings. Abutters on both sides have given their written approval for the project to extend to the property lines. Commissioner Messinger asked about openings to allow wildlife to pass through the fence. Commissioner Linda Noons-Rose asked where the contractors would get access to the beach from the property. Stan Humphries believes that all access will be through the property itself. The Agent added that a management plan for pedestrian access to the beach should be developed. She also asked about the construction sequence and access for future maintenance. Laurie Ferrari from Peters Property Management was on the call and stated that the condominium association will be agreeable to the plan. Commissioner Kershaw asked whether they could build a natural barrier in addition to this proposal. There were concerns about distance from the structures, but additional sand could be added. Linda Noons-Rose agreed and stated that a type of sand berm might be helpful and would allow for windblown sand to help the beach grass. Stan Humphries requested a continuance until the November 6, 2023 meeting. **Motion: Chair Carol Girard-Irwin moved to continue the hearing until November 6, 2023; Second: Commissioner Messinger; Vote: 5-0-0; the motion passed.**

Administrative Issues

Field Change: 6 Castle Rd; SE# 75-1175

Field Change: 8 Great Hills Rd; SE# 75-1182

Motion: Chair Carol Girard-Irwin moved to approve the field change at both 6 Castle Road and 8 Great Hill Road; Second: Commissioner Messinger; Vote: 5-0-0; the motion passed.

Recommendation of Article for the Fall Special Town meeting October 21, 2023-Stormwater Management Bylaw The Conservation Agent noted that a public information session would take place at the Truro Library at 5:00 PM on October 11, 2023.

Motion: Commissioner Kershaw moved to support the proposed stormwater management general by-law draft as presented; Second: Commissioner Linda Noons-Rose; Vote: 5-0-0; the motion passed.

Commissioner Kershaw moved to adjourn the meeting; Second: Chair Carol Girard-Irwin; Vote: 5-0-0; the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Nina Richey

