

Tisbury Conservation Commission
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MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2022

Present via remote participation: Thomas Robinson, Nancy Weaver, John Best, Caroline Little, Amelia Hambrecht, Lilian Robinson, Sandra Demel, Jane Varkonda, conservation agent and Laura Barbera, administrative assistant.

The minutes of January 4, 2022 were unanimously approved with minor changes by roll call vote.

Site inspections were scheduled for Tuesday, January 25 at 3:30 p.m.

21-31: SHM Vineyard Haven LLC– 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Robinson opened the public hearing for the demolition of four buildings, installation of new boat racks, installation of new concrete slabs, relocation of the fuel storage tank and new boardwalk along the bulkhead.

Reid Silva was present. He explained that three of the existing buildings are currently wood shops and storage. The fourth building is the work shed and office on posts at the edge of Lagoon Pond Road which has been difficult to use since they raised it. The existing footprint of the 4 buildings adds up to 9,255 square feet and the new slab will measure approximately 8,850 square feet.

Mr. Best noticed that a lot of concrete is being added to the site but Mr. Silva believed that there will be less impermeable surfacing. He added that he will be using a construction fence in addition to the silt fencing.

Ms. Hambrecht wondered if the poured concrete will be sloped to catch contaminants and Mr. Silva stated that they will probably use catch basins with gravel and a filter.

Ms. Weaver wondered about pedestrian access and Ms. Robinson inquired about recycling of plastics and if the material under the slab will be tested and also wondered if they could reuse the building. A member of the audience offered to take the structure. Jane agreed that the general testing of soils on site might be a good idea since the site has been used as a boatyard for so long.

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The commissioners asked Mr. Silva to return for another hearing with info about the number of boats to be stored; groundwater management; possible testing of potentially contaminated soils; a construction narrative; preparation for the concrete, number of cars being parked on site, public access and a possible bike path.

The hearing was postponed until February 1, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Barbera

Administrator