

Town of Blandford
Conservation Commission Minutes
September 12, 2022 6:00 PM

Commission Members in attendance: Dick Gates, Colleen Doyle, John Piper, and Nate Maynard.

Others in Attendance: Marc Lavasseur (Foresight Land Services representing Belle Fleur)

I. New Business

a. Public Hearing: Belle Fleur Cannabis Facility, 138 Otis Stage Rd, request for an Amended Order of Conditions (Mass DEP File #111-059).

Marc Lavasseur attended to share changes to the original site plans and provided the following overview.

- 4 greenhouses and 1 prefab office / working space to replace the original building footprint.
- 2 greenhouses north of the original building site.
- The Northeast greenhouse extends slightly further into the buffer zone area by approximately six feet.
- Previous impervious surface area was 57,405 sq. ft.
- Revised impervious surface area is 52,720 sq. ft.
 - Overall reduction of approximately 4,685 sq. ft.

C Doyle raised questions regarding the stormwater management system and how it has been revised to accommodate the proposed changes. Overall stormwater runoff has decreased and infiltration will take place with crushed stone under each greenhouse. Excess runoff will be piped via drains to catch basins and then to the stormwater management area (earthen basin with dam).

A timeline of events from the project will be included with any approved order of conditions (including the previous issuance of an enforcement order to rectify missing erosion controls).

D Gates made a motion to accept the Amended Order of Conditions. J Piper seconded and it was passed unanimously.

The public hearing will continue on 9/26/22 where Belle Fleur representatives will address any remaining concerns outlined by the peer reviewed assessment provided by Tighe and Bond.

II. Continuing Business

a. Shephard Farm

A meeting has been scheduled with Conway School of Design on 9/15 at 2:00pm to do an assessment of the town owned Shephard Farm parcel. The goal is for students to complete a project that surveys and assesses the property for recreational opportunities / use that is in line with the conservation restriction.

John Piper
Colleen Doyle

Dick Gates