

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair
Anne Melvin
Ken Grossman, Alternate
Clayton Carl

ABSENT: Peter Sandin, Alternate
Glenn Gould
Pam Failing, Vice Chair

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of February 7, 2013 to order at 7:00.

DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

Chair J. Wallace confirmed the presence of members as stated above.

GUESTS:

- A. Jason Hill, TF Moran - 210-57-GR-12-SR Daniel Hussey (Trinity Conservation)- Gravel Excavation Operation Request by applicant to propose a Gravel Excavation Operation with access through Map 210, Lot 44 on a 100 acre site located on Green Hill Road (Map 210, Lot 57) in the General Residential (GR) Zoning District. By: Jeff Kevan; TF Moran, Inc.

Mr. Hill indicated that his group is currently meeting with the Planning Board regarding a site plan approval and will be meeting with the Isinglas Local Advisory Committee. The plan requires a state permit from the alteration of terrain program to disturb more than 100,000 square feet. The proposal is to widen the existing driveway to 18 feet (from 10-14 feet) and put in three concrete culverts to replace the metal culverts. They will need a permit from wetlands board, and this has not yet been filed. There was discussion of a sediment pond, and Mr. Hill shared the design plans for this infiltration basin. Anne Melvin reminded Mr. Hill that the recommendation was for more than a 250 feet setback from the river for the spillway, and Mr. Hill responded that the revised plan is to have the spillway of infiltration basin out of 250 foot buffer. It's been moved 5 feet further back. There was discussion about the use of silt fencing and alternatives (silt socks and stump grinding berms) along the driveway. There was a question of pit depth and water level, and it was determined that the bottom of the pond will be 4 feet or more above the

groundwater level. There was also a question about the water temperature of water flowing into the river.

The discussion followed that the water would be percolating into an aquifer, and the water temperature should not be adversely impacted. The maximum area cleared as a working pit at any one time would be 10 acres. The river and aquifer are protected by zoning ordinances. It was originally suggested by Fish and Game that there be a 5 acre section left unreclaimed for turtle habitat, but instead the use of a warm season grass mix favorable to turtles is being proposed. Mr. Hill indicated that Fish and Game supports this. The floor pit (40 acres) would be treated with this grass mix. Slopes would be reclaimed with biodegradable netting and seeded. It is part of the plan to have an environmental monitor on site on a weekly basis while the pit is in operation, and this environmental monitor would document compliance with EPA standards (chemical disposal, erosion control, cleaning of sedimentation basin, etc.) John Wallace wondered about putting a conservation easement on the 250' buffer now and adding turtle habitat to the easement. Mr. Hill responded that he would discuss this with the applicant.

B. Jason Pohopek: minimum expedited wetland permit, Rte 4

The applicant wants to move this request from a minimum impact to minimum impact expedited with the approval of the BCC. There are currently 16 acres divided into four lots. It is proposed to consolidate driveway access on Route 4. The ZBA granted this variance. This plan requires a 100 foot decel lane. The drainage has to be moved about 14 feet, with 352 square feet impacted – relocated, but not lost.

Anne Melvin made a motion to sign the application as presented. Ken Grossman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

John Wallace signed the application.

C. Barry Gier - 270-71-RC-12-SR (The Yellow Dog's Barn) Request by applicant to construct a 936 s.f. building to be utilized as an overnight kennel and will include a one-bedroom apartment on the second floor with associated parking and a Section 9.6 Application for a special permit for construction in a wetland buffer located on a 1.16 acre site located at 136 Old Concord Turnpike (270, Lot 71) in the Regional Commercial Zoning District. By: Barry Gier, Jones & Beach Engineers, Inc.; Po Box 219, Stratham, NH 03885

The applicant is seeking endorsement of a 9.6 special permit for work within the wetland buffer. The proposal is to construct a new septic system, expand the existing parking lot, and construct a walkway. This would permanently impact 560 sf of wetland buffer, but most of it would be pervious. Also impacted would be 648 sf wetland buffer for access during construction, but this area would then be returned to its preexisting state.

Anne Melvin made a motion to recommend to the Planning Board that the permit be approved as presented. Clayton Carl seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

John Wallace will notify the Planning Board of this approval.

- D. Fenton Groen - Relocation of house, new septic, 252 Flower Dr (going before ZBA) Joel Runnals represented the applicant and indicated that he is going to the zoning board for a variance. Proposed is a new building a bit larger than the existing structure, and this would be constructed back beyond 50 foot setback to Nippo Lake. A variance for side setback from the property line is needed in order to meet the front setback. Impervious impact will be under 20%.

Clayton Carl made a motion to have John Wallace write a note to the ZBA in support of the plan as presented, as the building will be further from the lake and will have a septic system. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Clayton Carl made a motion to accept the minutes of January 3, 2013 as amended. Ken Grossman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

Anne Melvin made a motion to accept the minutes of January 17, 2013 as amended. Clayton Carl seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

2. Complaints: filling of wetland with asphalt, 336 OLD CONCORD TPK; email sent to DES Corner of Warren Road and Route 4. The involved party did file a remediation plan (2010) regarding the wetland impact, but has done nothing to follow through. Another letter of non compliance has been sent from DES.

3. Old Business

- A. Trinity Conservation gravel pit, Greenhill Rd – update There will be a site walk Feb 23rd at 9:00 am.
- B. Purchase of Leahy land (abuts SATWaSR): 42 acres, appraised value \$63,000
The Bafflin Foundation will consider the application in May.
Portsmouth: John Wallace will meet with the Portsmouth City Council next week to discuss the possibility of a \$5,000 contribution from Portsmouth. It is anticipated that Madbury will also contribute an amount.
- C. George Calef: interested in protecting ~ 300 acres
WRP application submitted, John Wallace indicated that the Trust for Public Land will likely be getting involved. The hope is to get a purchase and sale agreement with the anticipation that wetland reserve money would be available.
- D. Larenas land, interested in protecting ~100 acres abutting Calef
John Wallace indicated that there could be discussion in the future regarding limited development.

- E. Rossiter land: 3.6 acres off of Rte 202/Swains Rd., interested in selling
- F. Web site

4. New Business

- A. Update trail book it was noted that the trail map for the Schulz easement has not been updated with the new road names. The map on the web has been updated. There was discussion of updating the trail map with road names.
- B. Intents to cut: none

5. Announcements/correspondence

DES: For Village Place the Alteration of Terrain permit has been granted. The Topaz Way Dredge and Fill permit has been approved. John Wallace shared a note received from Strafford Regional Planning Commission thanking the Barrington Conservation Commission for its contribution toward the Oyster River Corridor Management Plan.

Charlie Moreno will be contacting NRCS regarding possible funding for the forest management plan for the Tamposi property.

6. Easements

- A. Easement monitoring: There is \$2200 in the proposed town budget for easement monitoring.
- B. Legal expenses from easement stewardship fund John Wallace suggested that the LGC might be a possible source for legal advice.**
- C. White Crest Conservation easement deed contains errors (with Rochester)
- D. Schulz/Carbone easement amendment – John will be in touch with Mike Carbone regarding the easement amendment language.
- E. Lakeview Estates easement problems: John Wallace received a phone call from Mrs. Frangos regarding the easement. They discussed amendments to conservation easements deeds and the process of making amendments.

7. Committee reports

- A. Natural Heritage Committee
 - B. Other meetings – Town Forest Task Force, LRLAC, ORLAC, IRLAC, Water Resources, ORWA, Cochecho River WA, etc.
- On Feb 20th there is a scheduled meeting with EPA on the Tibbets Road site. Ken Grossman indicated he plans to attend.

Minutes of Town Boards

- A. Selectmen:
- B. Planning Board:
- C.ZBA
- D.NHC

Next scheduled meeting: The next scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission is Feb. 21, 2013.

Clayton Carl made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi

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