Conservation Commission Minutes Meeting – November 19, 2015

Present: Steve Barrett, Louis Misiun, Jr., Ben Byrne Absent: Robert Cowles, Brian Dejnak

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. A site visit to Albany Road – Deerfield Academy was made at 9:00 AM in anticipation of the scheduled hearing.

Minutes of the October meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Mail: Letter from MAAC noting training available was noted.

Old Business:

NOI - 901 River Road - The hearing on the request of Lake Street Development for Conservation Commission approval of plans for the development of an extra-large photovoltaic system proposed for 901 River Road was re-opened. Mickey Marcus and Kevin McCaffrey of New England Environmental presented a list of proposed Special Conditions that could be attached to the Order of Conditions. The Commission reviewed them and voted to include them as an attachment under item C – Special Conditions. Members then signed the OOC. The copy with original signatures will be provided to New England Environmental to be recorded at the Registry of Deeds.

Enforcement Order: At the October meeting an enforcement order was issued to the property owners Sergei and Oksana Derivolkov at 681 River Road to: 1.) immediately cease and desist the activity which created the problem, 2.) install erosion/sediment controls within 48 hours, and 3.) hire a qualified wetlands consultant to prepare a restoration plan by November 19, 2015. The Commission agreed to continue this matter until its next meeting.

New Business:

NOI – public Hearing – Deerfield Academy

Tighe and Bond presented phase one of a plan to construct a new field house and hockey rink. This is a multi-phase project that has to begin by moving existing infrastructure that will be disturbed when the project actually begins. Therefore, the portion addressed at this time (phase 1) is limited to the enabling infrastructure for the project. The Commission agreed to sign – off and accept the plans and specs dated 11/10/15, as presented at the meeting for this portion of the project.

Requests for Comments –

• Setback relief for an extra-large scale ground-mounted solar installation at 198 Mill Village Road was discussed, but without additional information the Commission was unable to provide input having to do with any wetland concerns.

• The Commission had no wetland concerns about a project on Whately Rd for which frontage relief has been requested and for another regarding a proposed bed and breakfast at a home on North Hillside Rd.

The next meeting will be held on November 19, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Priscilla Phelps

Document List: Special Conditions list