

## Londonderry Conservation Commission Tuesday, January 8, 2013 Minutes

1 Present: Gene Harrington; Truda Bloom; Marge Badois; and Mike Speltz

G. Harrington called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. He appointed M. Speltz to vote for DebLievens.

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6 <u>Liberty Utilities</u>, D+F, Map 7, Lot 34-1- Michael Knott and Steve Szczechura of Liberty Utilities

7 were joined by wetland scientist Randy Shuey and Northpoint Engineering Project Manager

8 Matt Routhier to discuss an amendment to a site plan that was originally approved in 1992 for

9 map 7, lot 34-1. The plan included two areas for future parking that were required by the

10 Planning Board at that time but were never needed and therefore never built. Liberty Utilities

11 is seeking to purchase the lot and use the existing building for their local headquarters, but

12 would need to construct both parking lots to accommodate their staff's parking needs. The

13 proposed amendment involves rotating the northernmost of the two parking areas 90 degrees

so that it is parallel with Buttrick Road (see attachment). No parking spaces would be added
to that parking lot, although additional spaces are included in the revised design of the parking

16 west and south of the building. Under current Town regulations, 125 spaces would be

17 required for this particular use and 141 are proposed. M. Knott said this is not only because

18 of the larger staff that will occupy the building compared to the previous user, but to

19 accommodate anticipated growth of the company. Despite this increase, the total amount of 20 impervious surface included on the amended plan is 4.000 square feet less than what would be

20 impervious surface included on the amended plan is 4,000 square feet less than what would be 21 needed to build the parking as approved in 1992. This is due to a revised design of the

22 southern parking lot. M. Speltz asked if any incentives would be offered to employees for

23 carpooling. M. Knott replied that carpooling would be encouraged and other green

technology uses are being considered. All interior and perimeter landscaping requirementswill be met.

26 A Dredge and Fill (D+F) permit is being sought from the State Department of 27 Environmental Services (DES) to allow wetland impacts in two separate areas totaling 728 28 square feet. Based on a preliminary drainage design by Northpoint, these wetland impacts 29 are smaller than would occur if the northern parking area was built as it was approved (no 30 previous grading or drainage plans were required for the future parking by the Planning Board 31 in 1992). Sloping from the northern parking heading easterly towards the large pond will 32 result in 541 sf of wetland disturbance, while grading along the edge of the pond itself 33 associated with the proposed stormwater detention pond will cause 187 sf of impact. R. 34 Shuey said the Minimum Impact Expedited D+F application is due to be delivered to the Town 35 by the end of the week. G. Harrington explained that Commission's policy for expedited D+F 36 applications is to have at least two members perform a site visit to verify the application's 37 information before signing the document.

M. Routhier stated that the Town Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator has
determined that the Conservation Overlay District (COD) would not apply to this lot since the



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40 site plan was approved in 1992. A letter confirming this is expected soon from the Building 41 Inspector; however Commissioners speculated that the proposal might, in fact, trigger the 42 application of the overlay. They suggested the applicant first measure the pond/wetland and if 43 it is greater than half an acre, apply for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the COD buffer 44 impacts. This could be considered at Commission's January 22 meeting. Consensus 45 amongst Commissioners was that based on this presentation, they could support such a CUP 46 M. Speltz asked that the amended site plan include a vegetated buffer of at least application. 47 15 feet on the side of the pond facing the building in place of mowing turf down to the 48 waterline. M. Routhier indicated that could be added. 49 50 National Grid (trail easement) - In recent years, the Commission has reached out to National 51 Grid on several occasions about acquiring a trail easement on map and lot 8-17. This would 52 link conservation land from map and lot 5-12 all the way north to land bordering Litchfield 53 Road. M. Speltz asked M. Knott (see above) whether Liberty Utilities, who recently bought out 54 National Grid, would consider some form of land transaction to accomplish this. M. Knott was 55 unsure whether Liberty Utilities actually purchased that lot and thought it still might be owned 56 by National Grid. He offered to investigate the matter if the specifics of the request and a 57 map of the property could be provided to him. M. Speltz said he would deliver those 58 materials via email. (M. Knott also offered M. Speltz contact information for the appropriate 59 National Grid staff if indeed they are the owners).

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61 December 11, 2012 minutes- **T. Bloom made a motion to approve the minutes of the** 

62 **December 11, 2012** public session as written. M. Speltz seconded. The motion was

approved, 2-0-2 with G. Harrington and M. Badois abstaining as they had not attended the
meeting.

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66 Target practice in the Musquash- As he was unable to attend this meeting, Commissioner Mike 67 Considine sent an email to the Chair about this ongoing issue. It conveyed his assessment that 68 target practice continues to intensify in the Musquash, even since he last noted an increase to 69 the Commission at their October 23, 2012 meeting. His concern has risen to the point where 70 he believes that those who visit the Musquash for low impact recreational uses such as hiking 71 will stop doing so. The Town Council discussed the issue in 2012 and at one point, M. 72 Considine provided Town Manager Dave Caron with a copy of a presentation he wanted to 73 share with the Council, however no decision has been made to date. Considering the facts 74 brought up in the email about the increasing threat to public safety as well as the potential 75 liability involved if the Town is aware of the issue but has not taken any action, the consensus 76 was to ask M. Considine's permission to forward his email to the Acting Town Manager. Other 77 ideas were to ask the Council to consider adding the issue to the Town Warrant which would 78 enable residents to vote on the issue at Town Meeting and/or attend another Town Council



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79 80	meeting and present during the public comment portion.
81	American Chestnut presentation- G. Harrington reminded Commissioners that on January 31,
82	2013, Wildlife Biologist Curt Laffin will give a presentation on the rebirth of the American
83	Chestnut tree at the Leach Library.
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85	Musquash Field Day- This annual event scheduled for February 16, 2013.
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87	Elections- M. Speltz nominated G. Harrington as Vice Chair of the Conservation Commission
88	for 2013. T. Bloom seconded. The motion was approved, 4-0-0.
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90	T. Bloom made motion to adjourn the meeting. M. Badois seconded. The motion was
91	approved, 4-0-0.
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93	The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 PM.
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-0 SITE PLAN OF LOT 7-34-1 - F CORPORATE OFFICES FOR - W -BLUE SEAL FEEDS, INC. 15 BUTTRICK ROAD LONDONDERRY, N.H. -17:0 Prepared for: BLUE SEAL FEEDS, INC. P.O. BOX 8 STEVEN LAWRENCE, MA. 01842 Scale 1" = 50' Sept., 1992 6/30/93 Jan buge Sheet 1 of 7 Prepared by: LAND SURVEYOR STEVEN C. LUGER 1 P.O. Box 113 Concord, N.H. 03302 Tel. (603) 228-0241 692 Raymond Road Chester, N.H. 03036 Tel. (603) 887-6575 A Brigh

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## CONSTRUCTION NOTES:

PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION, CONTACT DIG SAFE CENTER, TOLL FREE 1-888-344-7233, NEW HAMPSHIRE LAW REQUIRES NOTFICATION AT LEAST THREE BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE DIGGING OPERATIONS START. IN AN EMERGENCY, CALL IMMEDIATELY.

2. LOCATION AND/OR ELEVATIONS OF EXISTING UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN SET ARE BASED ON PREVIOUS PLANS AND WHERE POSSIBLE VERIFIED IN THE FIELD. PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL VERIPT THE EXACT SIZE, LOCATION, DEPTH AND EXISTENCE OF ALL EXISTING UNDERGROMOU UTILITIES THAT ARE TO BE ACCESSED OR CROSSED DURING CONSTRUCTION. THE ENGINEER SHALL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING IF ANY UTILITIES ARE FOUND TO BE INTERFENING WITH THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION AND APPROPRIATE REMEDIAL ACTION SHALL BE TAKEN BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THE WORK.

3. ALL WORK SHALL CONFORM TO THE NHOOT STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION, TOWN OF LONDONDERRY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUIREMENTS AND THE TOWN OF LONDONDERRY SITE PLAN REGULATIONS, AND SHALL BE BUILT IN A WORKMAN LIKE MANNER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

4. PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION THE LIMITS OF CLEARING SHALL BE STAKED OUT. NO TREES SHALL BE CUT BEYOND THE LIMITS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN AND TEMPORARY FENCING SHALL BE INSTALLED ARQUND THE LIMITS OF CLEARING PRIOR TO CLEARING PHAS TO AND THAT NO ADDITIONAL THEES ARD ED AMAGED DURING CONSTRUCTION, IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLEARING HAS OCCURRED, ALL TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHOWN ON THE EROSION CONTROL PLAN SHALL BE INSTALLED AND SHALL REMAIN IN PLACE AT ALL TIMES DURING CONSTRUCTION, AND UNTIL FINAL STABILIZATION HAS OCCURRED.

5. PRIOR TO STARTING ANY WORK WITHIN THE TOWN OF LONDONDERRY'S ROW, THE CONTRACTOR MUST OBTAIN A PERMIT FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS "TO CONDUCT WORK WITHIN THE TOWN'S RIGHT OF WAY OR RASEMENTS", PROVIDE A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL GUARANTEE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE RROPSED WORK. AN INSPECTION IS REQUIRED BEFORE AND AFTER PAVING. 72-HOURS NOTICE IS REQUIRED FOR DRIVEWAY INSPECTIONS AND FOR THE PREVARIATION OF THE APPROPRIATE PAPERWORK.

6. STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED TO LINE AND GRADE AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS. ALL PIPE MATERIAL SHALL BE HANCOR N-12 HOPE PIPE (OR APPROVED EQUAL) UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ON PLANS. CONSTRUCTION METHODS SHALL CONFORM TO N.H.D.O.T. STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, SECTION 603.8. ALL CONSTRUCTION WITHIN LIMITS OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY SHALL CONFORM WITH APPLICABLE STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE TOWN OF LONDONDERR

7. ALL PROPOSED UTILITIES SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED UNDERGROUND.

8. SAWCUT, REMOVE AND REPAIR EXISTING PAVEMENT AS NECESSARY PER TYPICAL DETAIL ON CONSTRUCTION DETAIL SHEETS.

9. ALL ELECTRICAL UTILITY CONDUITS AND TRENCH WORK SHALL BE INSTALLED PER PSNH SPECIFICATIONS.

10. ALL CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS, INCLUDING STUMPS, SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE JOB SITE AND DISPOSED OF PROPERLY OFFSITE, UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED.

11. SAWCUT AND REMOVE EXISTING SIDEWALK AND/OR PAVEMENT AS NECESSARY TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW UTILITY TRENCHES. REPLACE EXISTING CONCRETE SIDEWALK IN KIND TO MATCH ELEVATION OF NEW DRIVEWAY PARKING LOT PAVEMENT.

12. ALL PROPOSED DRAINAGE STRUCTURES SHALL BE PRE-CAST CONCRETE MEETING H-20 LOADING AND CONSTRUCTED AND INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NHDOT STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION. ALL CATCH BASINS SHALL BE OUTFITTED WITH A POLYETHYLENE LINE DOWNSPOUT AND SHALL CONFORM TO THE TYPICAL DETAIL.

13. PROPOSED UNDERGROUND UTILITIES TO INCLUDE CONDUIT FOR ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE AND CATV. TRENCH AND CONDUIT PER TYPICAL DETAIL ON CONSTRUCTION DETAIL SHEETS.

14. ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE PER THE DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS ON THE CONSTRUCTION DETAIL SHEETS AND WHERE APPLICABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE "TYPICAL DETAILS FOR SITE AND ROADWAY INFRASTRUCTURE, TOWN OF LONDONDERRY, NH," MAY 2009 VERSION.

		AGE TABLE					
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