Committee:

Conservation Commission

Date:

December 19, 2019

Time:

7:00pm

Location:

3rd Floor Town Hall

Commissioners present:

Carl Shreder, Laura Repplier, Tom Howland, Rebecca Chane, Chris

Candia, and Elisabeth Clark

Staff members present:

Steve Przyjemski and Julie Cantara

The meeting was called to order at: 7:02 PM

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DISCUSSIONS

Road Kill on West Street

Steve goes over the Forestry Management on Open Space. He will consult with a forester to get evaluated.

Steve goes over his support for a fire suppression system at Camp Denison.

HEARINGS

51 West Main Street (DEP#161-0877; GCC 2019-05) NOI- (cont.)

Construction of a commercial building and seven townhouses.

Present:

John Colantoni (Applicant)

Mike DeRosa (DeRosa Environmental)

Nancy McCann (Attorney)

Mike goes over the plan, and gives a description of the amount and types of trees/shrubs added. Carl asks about the mitigation of the cleanup area, and John responded that he spoke to one of the owners of the property, and was given verbal permission to go on the property. Steve states that the permission needs to be in writing to satisfy that condition. Carl and Steve noted that the septic was added back to the plan. Steve would also like to see more stone bounds added. Mike will add three and remove one. Carl states that we need the final plan to vote on. Steve points out that Tom, Laura and Liz can't vote due to the Mullen Rule. He also noted that Chris and Carl have only missed one hearing, so they can't miss another one, in order to vote. Steve brought the Mullen Rule waiver forms for the commissioners to sign.

Carl once again stated that they need something in writing from the homeowner for permission to go on their property. John asked what would happen if they didn't give permission. Carl states that they need something in writing either way; whether they're granting permission or not.

No abutters present.

For the next meeting, Carl would like the following:

- Site access agreement
- Updated plans
- Added stone bounds

Rebecca:

Makes a motion to continue the hearing to January 16, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Tom:

Seconds.

Motion carries unanimously

47 West Street (DEP# 161-0889) - State NOI - (cont.)

Construction of a 16-unit senior housing development.

The 3rd party review was just started, so no site walk has been scheduled yet.

Rebeca:

Makes a motion to continue the hearing to January 16, 2019 at 7:15 PM.

Tom:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously.

68-70 Tenney Street (DEP# 161-0890; GCC 2019-18) NOI – (new)

Buffer zone restoration planting.

Present:

Tony Capachietti (Hayes Engineering)

Eric Rogers (Applicant)

Tony gives an overview of the project. They found asphalt and concrete; they'll dispose of it, and anything they take out will be put outside the 100ft buffer zone. Steve would like no-cut stone bounds installed, and Tony agreed to install them.

Steve stated that before construction begins, they need to go to the Planning Board. Tony stated that he already spoke to John Cashell, and it was considered minor.

Laura:

Makes a motion to approve the project with the condition of installing stone bounds specified by

Steve.

Rebecca:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously.

Laura:

Makes a motion to close the hearing.

Rebecca:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously.

Carleton Drive - Map 15 / Lot 46 (DEP# 161-0891; GCC 2019-19) NOI - (new)

New transfer station.

Present:

Jason Mello (Applicant)

Nancy McCann (Attorney) Scott Cameron (Engineer) Rich Kirby (Engineer)

Nancy stated that in May, the Board of Appeals approved the project. They have filed with Planning, and it's currently under review.

Scott goes over the plan, as well as an aerial view from Google Earth. He states that 100% of disposal, sorting, and loading will happen inside of the building.

Rich goes over the plans and mitigation.

Carl wants a 3rd party review just for the wetlands.

Laura:

Makes a motion for a 3rd party review.

Rebecca:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously.

Abutters

Richard of Spaulding Road:

• Asks how tall the building will be. Scott states that they might be able to see the building from their house in the winter, but other than that they shouldn't be able to see it. Richard also asks about the noise, and Carl suggests bringing a noise meter to the site. Richard states that the trucks use J brakes and they make a lot of noise. Carl points out that that's not really a Con Com issue.

Christian Christiansen of 1 Katie Lane:

- Christian points out that there's a culvert that hasn't been mentioned on any of the plans. Scott states that they haven't observed any culverts, but that he will take a look.
- Christian is also concerned about the beaver population in the meadow. Scott states that they share the same concerns.
- Construction stock piles in that area is all construction waste. He states that G. Mello and Nancy McCann stated that the areas have been tested, but he wants to see the results.
- Dumpster noise; his house shook from dumpsters being dropped.
- Light pollution.
- Endangered species.

John Duff of 6 Spaulding Road:

• States that there was a Boys Scout project done on that area about 20 years ago, and they found that it was hazardous. He asked if abutters could walk the property, and Nancy said that they'll have to get back to them since they don't own the property.

Carl would like a copy of the hazardous waste report.

Chris asked about noise barrier walls. Scott stated that they aren't necessary since the noise will be directed towards the highway.

Rebecca:

Makes a motion to continue the hearing to January 16, 2019 at 7:30 PM.

Tom:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously.

BUSINESS

Steve hands out the Mullen Rule paperwork to be signed.

Tom:

Makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 21, 2019.

Rebecca:

Seconds motion.

Chris and Liz abstain; motion carries and the minutes are approved and signed.

Laura:

Makes a motion to pay bills as read by Steve.

Rebecca:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously and the bills are signed.

Laura:

Makes a motion to have Carl sign to support the fire suppression system at Camp Denison.

Liz:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously.

Tom:

Makes a motion to close the meeting.

Rebecca:

Seconds motion.

Motion carries unanimously and the meeting is closed at 9:05 PM.

Documents and other exhibits used at the meeting will be available for review at The Conservation Office.

Meeting was adjourned at:

9:05 PM

NEXT MEETING

Date: January 16, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Second Floor Meeting Room

Minutes approved by Committee on:

Carl Shikes

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Respectfully submitted,

Chairman:

(Signature)