DCC Minutes of May 13, 2019



Derry Conservation Commission 14 Manning St Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting May 13, 2019

On May 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm, the Derry Conservation Commission met in the 3rd floor meeting room of the Derry Municipal Center.

The following members were present: Ric Buzzanga, Margaret Ives, William Lowenthal, Grace Reisdorf, Robert Spoerl, Alternate, Paul Dionne and Justin Mitchell. Eileen Chabot and James Degnan were absent. Town Council Liaison, Neil Wetherbee was present. Vice Chair, Ric Buzzanga chaired the meeting this evening. Justin Mitchell sat for Eileen Chabot. Paul Dionne sat in for James Degnan.

Approval of Minutes:

Margaret Ives made a motion to approve the minutes of April 22, 2019 with typing corrections. Grace Reisdorf seconded the motion. Robert Spoerl abstained. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

None.

Site Plan Review:

124 & 126 Goodhue Rd- Tax Map 4/Lot 37, James M. Lavelle and Associates – Tim Lavelle presented. This is a re-visit of the plan to the Conservation Commission this evening. DCC had asked to have the proposed houses drawn on the plan for this review. The parcel will divided into two (5) acre lots. The plan had been approved once before. There were some road shoulder issues that were never made completed. The plan approval had been rescinded. The property has since been sold and the new owner would like to continue the plan. There is a Prime Wetland on the site which constitutes a 150 foot setback from the Prime Wetland.

DCC had concerns on the positioning of the proposed house on lot #37 being too far down in a low area on the parcel. It was agreed that this house could be moved over more to the right on the lot closer to the test pit, which would put it on higher ground. The driveway would need to remain as displayed. DCC also had concerns of Bittersweet in the area and debris (lawn clippings) that had been dumped near the stream on the site possibly, from a neighbor.

DCC would like to have the 150 foot setback flagged to prevent any impediment during construction.

Grace Reisdorf made a motion for the Chair to sign the plan with the condition of the wetland setback be clearly marked so as to block any possible debris or equipment from crossing into the wetland. Margaret Ives seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Site Plan Review:

13 Hemlock Spring Rd – Tax map 14/ lot 11, Keach Nordstrom Associates. Paul Chisolm presented. The parcel borders Hemlock Spring Rd. and Overledge Dr. Ext. Zoning in the area is (2) acres. The parcel will be divided into two lots. Once divided, one of the proposed lots will be just a bit shy of the (2) acre zoning requirement. A lot line adjustment will be done. An acre of land will be taken from the neighboring property in order to create a 2 acre/2 lot sub-division out of one parcel of land. There are wetlands on the site. One of the wetlands located in the rear, which is not on the property, runs into a culvert under Hemlock Spring Rd. Paul Chisolm stated that any disturbance will be kept away from this wetland. DCC will do a site walk May 16th at 6:00 pm.

Site Plan Review:

Mill Rd. & Alyssa Dr. - Promised Land Survey, Tim Peloquin presented. This is a 6 lot subdivision. Four of the lots will be on Mill Rd. and two of the lots will be on Alyssa Dr. Alyssa Dr. is a cul-de-sac. The smallest lot will be 3 plus acres and the larger piece will be 12 ½ acres. It is located on 32 acres of land. The owner would like to construct a home on the 12 ½ acre parcel and a home for a friend on the 5 and ½ acre lot at the end of Alyssa Dr. The reaming 4 lots would be sold to a builder. The parcel is flat. There is a stream running through the first lot. There are several pockets of wetlands in the area. There was a variance granted on two of the lots. There will be a 50 foot green space buffer to the abutters at the end of the Alyssa Dr. culde-sac. This concept of a green space was offered to the Zoning Board at the time of the variance request. There will be two driveways that will have wetland crossings. The lot to the south on Mill Rd. will have a long driveway, which will cross the wetland at about the middle of the driveway. The wetland impact would be approximately 1000 sq. ft. The second driveway crossing on the 12 ½ acre lot at the end of Alyssa will have a 500 sq.ft.wetland impact. This particular wetland is more defined than the other. There is a channel with some flow. The driveway crossings are woodland crossings and they will be culverted. The culverts will have 18 inch flared ends. The culvert at the end of Alyssa would be 15 inch pipe. DCC would like 18 inch pipes on both. A DCC member suggested using larger culverts to assist with critter crossings. A larger squash pipe with a gravel bottom was suggested. On the Northwest corner of the lot are the remains of an old mill site. The owner would like to protect this site. DCC will do a site walk May 20th at 5:00 pm. The Invasive Species note is on the plan.

Site Plan Review:

78 Rockingham Rd (Route 28) —Tax Map 5/ lot 39-1, promised Land Survey. Tim Peloquin presented. This is a 3 lot commercial subdivision. The property is 2 acres in size. The site is zoned General Commercial (4). The property has an existing house and detached garage. There are no wetlands on the site. Town water and sewer are in place. DCC will do a site walk on May 20th at 6:30.

Update on Conservation Activities:

William Lowenthal held orientation sessions with 10 of the gardeners. A couple of the gardeners have either cancelled or reduced their plots requested from two to one. This allowed three people on the waiting list to be called and be able to reserve a plot. At this point in time the garden area needs to be prepared and staked. Farmer, Phil Ferdinando will be contacted to till the area as he has done in the past.

Other Business:

None.

Adjournment:

Paul Dionne made a motion to adjourn. Grace Reisdorf seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson