

Windham Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2013

Attendance

Commission Members

Wayne Morris, Chairman – present

Jim Finn, Vice Chairman – present

Pam Skinner – absent

Lisa Ferrisi – present

Bernie Rouillard – present

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Discussion

Adopt-A-Spot Program – Lisa Ferrisi gave an overview of this program which intends to involve various groups, organizations and businesses in Town to “adopt” one or more of up to 40 parcels for clean-up and/or plantings.

Deer Leap Parking Lot – Illegal dumping of landscape material has occurred at the Deer Leap parking lot, which has been cleaned-up by The Town Maintenance Department. The Police have been contacted to investigate and police the area. The placement of a surveillance camera in the area was discussed as well the placement of signs indicating the lot is closed from dusk to dawn. It was also state that dumping of this kind has been occurring in other parts of Town.

Fieldstone Woods Conservation Easement – Discussion on this topic has been postponed until the next Commission meeting.

ZBA Case Review

The three cases scheduled for the May 28th ZBA meeting did not involve wetland impacts or conservation issues and the Commission has no comment.

TRC Review/Comment

Minor site plan/1 Lexington Road (Lot 11-A-240) – This plan involves the relocation of an existing freestanding sign and a small expansion of about 494 sq. feet to an existing commercial building. The Commission has no comment.

Minor site plan /8 Rockingham Road (Lot 13-B-10) – This application details the addition of a new driveway which would displace two existing parking spaces. The Commission has no comment.

WWPD Special Permit/5 Burnham Road (Lot 20-D-4016) – This details the placement of a new in-ground pool and patio area within the WWPD. The plans provided for review did not include a grading plan which makes the Commission unable to evaluate and comment on the plan at this time. From photos of the site provided it appears that the area where the pool is to be located slopes downward toward protected and wetland areas.

Proposed Subdivision/10 London Road (Lots 20-D-1900 and 20-d-1950) – The proposed subdivision will create 5 residential building lots which will be accessed by a 22 foot wide road ending in a 62.5 foot radius cul-de-sac. as described by Peter Zohdi of Herbert Associates who is representing the applicant. The road will have open drainage. The Commission noted potential impacts to a vernal pool which is located on one of the lots and recommends that “No-Cut Buffer” signs be placed along the perimeter of the 25 foot wide buffer protecting the vernal pool.

Planning Board Case Review

Subdivision and Wetlands and Watershed Protection District Special Permit Application, Case #2013-10/51 Haverhill Road (Lot 14-B-2013) – Peter Zohdi representing the applicant outlined the proposed subdivision of this 14.1 acre parcel to create another building lot which is in the Neighborhood Business District. The WWPD Special Permit involves modifications to the existing driveway which is partially within the WWPD.

Site Plan Application, Cafuia Realty (Lot18-L-450) – Peter Zohdi representing the applicant outlined this proposed site plan on a 1.49 acre lot located on Route 111 and Delahunty Drive. The proposed plan consists of constructing a 7000 sq. foot retail structure on this lot which is within the Canobie Lake Watershed Protection Overlay Distict. This structure will contain a Dunkin Donuts and two additional retail spaces. The Commission reviewed the proposed site drainage and noted that there are no wetland impacts on this site.

Conceptual Subdivision, Wilson Road (Lots 24-F-830, 24-F-1100 and 24-F-1120) – Peter Zohdi representing the applicant outlined this proposed subdivision on these lots totaling about 50 acres. The subdivision will create 21 residential lots and includes the construction of a 2400 foot long road ending in a cul-de-sac and 400 foot road with a cul-de-sac. The road

construction will require two major wetland crossings where open box culverts are being proposed. The Commission has scheduled a site walk on June 1st at 9 am to view this site.

Correspondence

Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests newsletter.

Southeast Land Trust site walk notification.

Other Business

Wayne Morris noted that an easement monitoring site walk on the Landry Parcel has been tentatively scheduled for June 1st.

Jim Finn is scheduled to walk the Ingersol Town Forest on June 6th with representatives from the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests who hold the conservation easement for this parcel.

The Commission adjourned at 9:05 pm.

These minutes are in draft form and have been submitted for approval by Bernie Rouillard.