



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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*Paul Byrne, Chairman*

*Joseph Rodrigues*

*Marianne Iarossi*

*David Mercer*

*Emilie Schuler*

*Catherine Childs*

### **Meeting Minutes February 2, 2017**

**Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by chair Paul Byrne**

**Roll Call: Paul Byrne, David Mercer, Joe Rodrigues, Marianne Iarossi, Catherine Childs, Emilie Schuler, Brandon Parker (Associate Commissioner)**

**Staff: Pam Helinek**

### **Public Hearings**

**261 Central Street, 190-0599, COC Request**

**Present: Jeff Motha**

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Compliance with no work done, in order to clear the title so he can purchase the property, with the understanding that he will file a new NOI after he has completed the purchase. Paul Byrne moved to issue a letter stating the intention of the Commission to grant the COC, but not to grant it until after the Purchase and Sales on the property has been signed. Second by Emilie Schuler, vote 6-0-0

**74 Cox Street, continued NOI, 190-0xxx**

**Present: Thomas DiPersio, David Crossman**

The applicant submitted an updated site plan showing flood plain and compensatory flood storage and an updated stormwater management report. Emilie Schuler requested that a plan for invasive plant management be submitted. Brandon Parker expressed concern about the size of the culvert, since the proposed 24 inch pipe is smaller than the 36 inch pipe from the Quinn School and could cause a bottleneck. Tom DiPersio will talk to the Director of DPW for more information about the existing culvert.

Paul Byrne asked where the roof drains will go and where discharge from sump pumps will go. Tom Dipersio said the roof drains will sheet flow over the back of the property and that he can show the sump pumps discharging into the drainage system in front. Paul Byrne requested that the permanent sedimentation basin be built at the project start so that it has time to stabilize and become vegetated.

Brandon Parker asked about the density calculation for the number of units. Tom DiPersio said it was one unit per 6000 square feet of property. Brandon thought it should be 10 units per developable acre. Pam Helinek will check the zoning bylaw. Joe Rodrigues requested that the two units nearest Cox Street be removed as they are very close to the restoration area and the flood plain. Tom Dipersio said that his employer will not want to remove them. Catie Childs expressed concern about back entrances of the two end units leading directly into the restoration area. Marianne Iarossi requested that educational signage be placed to keep people out of the replication and restoration areas. Emilie Schuler requested a small trail to the stream to allow people to enjoy it without trampling sensitive areas. Paul Byrne requested crushed stone under the back decks.

Dave Mercer asked about the plan for erosion control and dust control during razing of existing buildings. Pam Helinek said that any bales must be invasive free such as salt marsh hay or straw bales. Joe Rodrigues said that bales must be double staked.

The applicant will make another revision of the plans. Brandon Parker requested that the owner's contact information be updated on the submittal. The Commission is also waiting for DEP comments. Paul Byrne moved to continue the hearing to February 16, 2017 at 7:00. Second by Dave Mercer, vote 6-0-0.

### **Administrative Business**

**Commission Vacancy** – Applicants for the Commission vacancy, Nusrath Khan and Jason Weksner, introduced themselves to the Commission. Paul Byrne moved to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that Brandon Parker be appointed to fill the Commissioner vacancy left by Minot Wood and that Nusrath Khan and Jason Weksner be appointed as Associate Commissioners. Second by Emilie Schuler, vote 6-0-0.

### **Discussion – Dredging of Tripps Pond**

The Commission is on the agenda of the Feb 27 Board of Selectman's meeting to discuss Tripps Pond. Pam Helinek will post the meeting if four or more Commissioners wish to attend.

**Minutes** – Paul Byrne moved to accept the minutes for January 19, 2017. Second by Marianne Iarossi, vote 6-0-0.

### **Discussion – Proposed Wetlands Bylaw**

Emilie Schuler has emailed the Lake Boone Commission to start a conversation about the Bylaw. She will also contact the Fort Meadow Commission. Marianne Iarossi asked if the Commission can put an informative brochure in the next tax bill. Pam Helinek will find out.

### **Discussion – Community outreach**

Emilie Schuler volunteered to lead monthly trail walks in Hudson.

**Adjournment**

Paul Byrne moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Catie Childs, vote 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.