## Conservation Commission Meeting September 9, 2019

Meeting Opened: 6:05 pm

Members Present: Francis Chase, James Sanborn, Mike Colin, Helen Lalime & Judie Walker.

Guests: Henry Boyd of Millennium Engineering

## Minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes of May 6th: Mike Colin

Second: Jim Sanborn

Unanimous

Henry Boyd, Millennium Engineering is representing GRA Real Estate Holding, LLC of 50 Dows Lane Map 12 Lot 8-103, for a variance of section 15, subsection 15,400 to permit a driveway and patio within wetland buffer. Henry spoke about back in 2004 when it was approved the town didn't have a 25 wetland set back it was 10 feet back in 2004. He went in front of the ZBA and they approved the variance as long as they design the driveway that will protect Rocky Brook and use pervious pavers for patio. Also the ZBA said they would like a wide 3 ft stone strip along the driveway instead of a swale.

Henry talked about vegetation replanting next to the Rocky Brook and put some shrubs in then loam and seed. The driveway will be hot top.

Accept plan as presented for 50 Dows Lane.

Motion Jim Sanborn

Second Helen Lalime

Unanimous

Dean Korvas of 6 Manchester St met with Eben Lewis to discuss dune restoration, Dean has a title the shows he owns to high tide mark. The residents have agreed to let the Army Corp of Engineers place the sand in front of their property at low tide when they begin dredging. Mr. Korvas will restore the vegation for the town. The town dune would stay, he will work with Eben Lewis so that his dune will match his neighbors dune. Fill will be placed in front of the dune. The fill will all be re-vegation with dune. It just won't be so high.

Henry would like to know the Conservation Commission opinion as to what do you think about making the town dunes uniform to the other dunes. Mr. Korvas will be paying for the dune restoration. They have to amend his permit from NHDES.

Conservation is in favor of reshaping the dune with a reduction in height.

Motion: Helene Second: Mike

Unanimous

Seabrook property to the South. Mr. Korvas will sign the application in conjunction with NHES The town will sign the application to do the work on the dunes.

The Conservation Commission thinks it is a good idea to reshape the dunes.

Motion: Francis Second Helen Unanimous.

Army Corp suggested Drive sheet piles in front of your property on Cross Beach Road. Eben was reluctant to do it.

## NHDES:

- The Conservation Commission received a Wetlands Permit Application Anton Melchionda for Waterstone Map 8 Lot 1 & 8. Alteration of Terrain Permit. The permit is subject to the following conditions;
  - The approved plans, the latest revision dated May 16, 2019 and supporting documentation in the permit file are a part of this approval.
  - This permit expires on June 11, 2024; no earth moving activities shall occur on te project after the expiration.
  - The project plans show that grading is required on and currently owned by the NHDOT in two locations. A permanent grading/drainage easement will be required from the NHDOT for this work
  - A qualified soil scientist, geologist or engineer shall be retained to design the soil amendment ad perform infiltration testing at the locations of the underground filtration basin #1

- Stephen Thurlow received a letter from NHDES the area of cattails within the tidal buffer zone adjacent 279 Walton road has been partially cleared. A handheld power scythe was observed on a picnic table near the cleared area. An area of the tidal marsh appeared to have been mowed with a lawn tractor due to the short length of the marsh grass and visible tire tracks. There was no permit issue and failure to obtain a permit or authorization from NHDES prior to conducting additional work within the tidal marsh and/or tidal buffer zone may results in enforcement action by NHDES.
- NHDES sent Michael Pelligri of 12 Cross Beach Road a Wetlands Permit Application request for more information.
  - NHDES would like newer plans depicting the proposed stabilization between the sheet pile and the dwelling, is this still necessary?
  - O What is the purpose of the sheet pile?
  - What material will the sheet pile be constructed of?
  - o How will the sheet pile be installed?
  - Please explain how the sheet pile will impact the salt marsh in a revised response to NH Administrative Rule Env-Wt 302.04©

As proposed, the project is not approvable pursuant to NH Administrative Rule Env-Wt 302.0 (a) The NHDES encourages Mr. Pelligri to reach out to the US Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) New England District as your project will also require their review and approval prior to an work beginnings.

## Other:

Francis shared his email Sea grant going out they are working with Seabrook, Hampton NH Sea Grant in Match. David Burdit Scientist restores Salt marshes and Sand dunes. UNH Beach grass die off and restoring the die off plants. It was too late.

Meeting adjourned: 7:09 pm

Next Meeting: November 11, 2019

Respectfully submitted: Judie Walker, Secretary