Minutes

Lee Conservation Commission

Town Hall 32 Main Street Courtroom

February 5, 2020

Commissioners Present: Stu Dalheim, Vice-Chair; John Philpott; Marilyn Hansen; John Philpott

Commissioners Absent: Kathy Arment, Chair; James Wickham

Members of the Public Present: Aaron Biasin, Berkshire Engineering; Matt Puntin, SK Design; Janet Warner, Lee Youth Commission

* **Continued Notice of Intent Braxton Shafiroff 1365 Pleasant Street DEP #196-0468** Restoration work to the existing bank and riverfront Mr. Biasin presented a plan showing what they thought were the pre-existing conditions . Tonight he just wants feedback from the Commission. The Commission questioned parts of it based on what they had seen and on some photos taken. The original fence was a wire fence. The one now is wooden and is about a foot further away from the water. Mark Stinson was concerned about stabilizing the bank. There were questions as to what the long term plan was for removing any invasive species and for the mitigation area. It was noted that there is to be no work between the fence and the river and no mowing within 25’ of the top of the bank of the river.

There will be no boat access on the final plan. Other discussion **Motion by Mr. Philpott with a second by Mr. Coty to continue with the applicant’s consent to February 19, 2020. Unanimous approval**

* **Notice of Revised Site Plan Steven Giove & Jean Meyerowitz 21 Bramble Lane DEP #196-0443 Installation of a hot tub and associated deck** Mr. Puntin presented the plan. The hot tub and the deck will be approximately 50’ from the bank of Laurel Lake; this means that they will be within the previously approved work area. **Motion by Ms. Hansen with a second by Mr. Dalheim to allow a minor change of the building of a small deck and the installation of a hot tub in the same work area. Unanimous approval**

* Mr. Puntin gave a “heads up” on the developing plans for apartment buildings in the area of the old Price Chopper building and parking lot.
* **Lee Athletic Field 126 Housatonic Street Adult equipment installation** Janet Warner presented. Pictures of the exercise equipment were shown. The space for the equipment s 20’x20’. Concrete pads will be installed under the equipment; they will be the same height as the current surface. **Motion by Mr. Philpott with a second by Mr. Coty to accept the plan of adult equipment as presented. Unanimous approval**
* **Revere Solar/DCR** DCR has asked for a 60 day extension. A site visit is being set up through Nicolas Galletout of Revere Solar on February 20, 2020. John Coty is the only one who is able to go. It was agreed to ask Rob Hoogs the Commission’s consultant if he is willing to go. He will be contacted by Ms. Vsetecka .
* **Motion by Mr. Dalheim with a second by John Coty to approve the minutes of January 15, 2020 minutes. Unanimous approval**
* Mr. Coty gave a report of the work by Eversource in the area of Tyringham Road. Trees are being cut and the erosion control fence is being installed as soon as there is an opening. The area is quite dry. Area behind the Outlet Mall: One concern he has is how the area under the pads will be left when the work is done. He will ask about this.
* **Motion to adjourn by Mr. Dalheim with a second by Mr. Coty. Unanimous approval**

Documents: Preliminary Plan Braxton Shafiroff 1365 Pleasant Street; Plan for minor change 21 Bramble Lane; Plan for athletic field 126 Housatonic Street