

TOWN OF LEE

32 MAIN STREET

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

PLACE OF MEETING: Judge's Chambers, Town Hall

DAY, DATE & TIME: Tuesday, April 16, 2013

Members Present: Stu Dalheim, Act. Chair, Marilyn Hansen, John Philpott, John Coty, Anne Langlais, Ryan Aylesworth

Mr. Dalheim, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM, Agenda was posted.

7:00: Notice of Intent 196-0409. Janette Cimini, removal and reconstruction of a house on 49 Chanterwood Road. Ms. Cimini and Donald Bernard were present to go over the project. Ms. Cimini presented a plan which called for the removal of a two story structure and replacement with a 1.5 story structure on a 3.72 acre lot. The project has portions within the 50 foot Buffer Zone. No areas have been marked off at this point. No site inspection has been made but one is scheduled for April 23 at 5 PM. The site is also in the Scenic Mountain boundary B and is located at the 1500 foot level. A motion to continue the public hearing till the April 6th meeting was made by Ms. Hansen and seconded by Mr. Coty.

7:15: NOI 196-0408 Continuation. Natural Heritage, Hop Brook Invasive Control Plan, Chris Buelow Restoration Ecologist representing Natural Heritage Program. Mr. Buelow presented the additional information requested by indicating the following: 4,053,957 square feet of total river front area including portions of the Housatonic River, Mad River Brook and Hop Brook. This project was approved by the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife's NHESP department and is exempt from a MESA review as it is currently proposed. The following conditions must be met during the dealing with the invasive species process: All State-listed plant locations shall be delineated and covered with tarps and/or buckets to prevent unattended harm. A motion to close the public hearing was made by Ryan Aylesworth and seconded by John Coty. Unanimous approval. A motion to approve the NOI request was made by John Philpott, seconded by Ryan Aylesworth, unanimous approval.

7:30: Robert Becker, Greenock Golf Course. Mr. Becker discussed issues with his irrigation ponds and the silting up of the lower pond. The silting up has occurred over the past few years and hinders the proper irrigation of the golf course. The Commission considers this issue as a maintenance repair issue. Ms. Hanson cautioned Mr. Becker to make sure that he maintains good relationships with the abutters especially in exceptionally heavy rain falls.

7:45: Richard Morris, 102 Package Store landscaping. Mr. Morris represents the owners of the 102 Package Store who want to deal with some landscaping issues. Basically the owners want to landscape the property from Rt. 102's guardrails down to the base of the store contour. It is a steep slope and is in a flood plain. In addition, the Owner wants to put some planters in the front of the store. Since the area is in a flood plain, the Commissioners suggested that a more detailed plan be submitted which indicates how much volume the planters will take above the flood plain and how much compensatory storage the grading on the Rt. 102 side will balance the planter installation. It was suggested that the owner amend the original NOI to include these modifications. Mr. Morris agreed to do that.

Other Business:

- Approval of the April 1, 2013 Minutes.
Mr. Coty motioned to approve, Ms. Langlais seconded, all in favor.
- A Certificate of Compliance was requested by Mr. Dan Grant for Mead West VaCo's effluent pipe replacement. Pictures before and after the project and a site visit by Mr. Coty indicated that the project met all the criteria that were requested by the OOC. Motion to grant the COC by Mr. Dalheim, seconded by Mr. Aylesworth, all in favor.
- The Broadband project requested a minor adjustment to a cable run on their RDA. The Commissioners did not see any changes that would require further action and agreed that the modification to the cable run did not hinder on impact any new areas which were already approved.
- The request by the Building Inspector to check the Friendly Sign installation was reviewed. It does not appear to be in the flood plain so the Commission's jurisdiction does not apply.
- The trash by the Bradley Street property is still being investigated.
- Lyn and Tom Biasin presented the Commissioners with some documentation about a possible wet land issue on Mountain Terrace. The Commission will send a note to both parties to come to the May 6th meeting to discuss the issue.
- Mr. Dalheim motioned to close, Mr. Philpott seconded, all in favor. Meeting closed at 8:28 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

John Philpott