

Meeting Minutes December 11, 2018

Attendees: Scott Pim, Sandy Goodspeed, Todd Hathaway, Dan McCombs

Absent: Ben Bade, Liz Wilson, John Bennett

Meeting Called to Order: 7:06 p.m.

Delaney Road Project Permit Review: MJS Engineering

Mr. Blanc of MJS and Mr. Kniaz, the developer, presented a driveway construction plan that impacts the wetlands buffer zone, approximately 59,000 feet, and the wetland, approximately 6000 square feet. The plan directs stormwater from the driveway to a stormwater management area including recharging area. Almost all of the buffer area impacts are construction related and will be revegetated, but there will be continuing impact to the wetland. Scott expressed appreciation for the design's attempt to limit impact given the property constraints. He speculated that the site was formerly a gravel pit and that the "wetlands" are actually probably not from the natural grade. Scott indicated that the design is actually a good use of an otherwise unusable parcel with little conservation value, but had two caveats. First, Scott recommended removing a culvert at the back of the infiltration area to allow the water from the existing stream to flow better. Second, he proposed making the infiltration area rounded, instead of square, to make it more aesthetically pleasing and allow it to blend more naturally into the surrounding area. Mr. Blanc and Mr. Kniaz were willing to incorporate those recommendations. The Members unanimously voted to authorize Scott to write a letter of support to the Planning Board in favor of the project, subject to the two recommendations above.

Minutes

The Members unanimously approved the Minutes from the November 13, 2018 meeting.

Hall Easement

Tabled in Ben's absence.

Low and Cate Street Town Wetland

Sandy indicated that the Board of Selectmen ("BOS") moved on December 4th to delegate the management of these parcels to the ECC as we had requested, but subject to the right to the BOS' right to return the properties to their management if the BOS ever decide to sell. The Motion was adopted by the BOS, and is attached hereto. Scott expressed concern that the BOS vote does not actually require the BOS to notify the ECC of an intent to sell the properties, which is what he requested at the BOS meeting on this subject. The Members discussed



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whether to pursue an amendment and agreed that the best course was to at least ask the BOS to consider adding some protection of the ECC's interests in the event of an intent to sell, given that the ECC will be investing funds at the Mast Rd. property and relying on that area for Low Park parking. The Members also discussed the pros and cons of spending approximately \$15,000 on demolition and other costs at the Mast Rd site for a parking and picnic area, but agreed to hold off on further discussion or vote on that issue until we know if the BOS will provide some protection (in the form of either an agreement to reimburse the ECC in the event of sale, or put that parcel into permanent conservation). Todd will draft some proposed language. The Members agreed to hold off on approving demolition funds until we see if the language of the BOS vote could be strengthened to protect funds expended by the ECC.

Fox Run Bridge

No response from the Boy Scouts yet.

Website

John added the most recent meeting minutes to the website and added photos from the photo contest. Dan is working on our KeyPass data base to obtain credentials for maintaining the website when John resigns.

SELT NHFG Award

Sandy presented a proposal from the Brentwood CC to nominate SELT for a NHF&G award. The Members unanimously agreed to write a letter of support of the nomination. Todd will put together and circulate a draft letter.

Monitors

Liz has a friend who may be interested in monitoring. Discussion tabled until next meeting.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Next Meeting: January 8, 2019

Respectfully Submitted, Todd Hathaway, Secretary



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Minutes Approved:			
Scott Pim, Chair	3/12/19 Date	Todd Hathaway	7.12.19 Date
John Bennett	 Date	Dan McCombs	2/12/201 Date
Sandrals	2.12.19		·
Sandy Goodspeed	Date	Liz Wilson	Date
Ben Bade	Date		