Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Remote Zoom Meeting

June 10, 2021

Opened 7:15 PM

Members Present: Matt Puntin, Reba Schecter, Josh Briggs, Mark Caldwell

Others Present: Mark Stinson (DEP), Brent White (White Engineering), Munirih Yeshwant (Owner), Evan Hardcastle (Contractor)

Project, 137 Jerusalem Road, DEP # 310-0132

- BW presented the project. There is an existing 11,000 s.f. manmade pond with a 430 linear foot bank. The bank of the pond is constructed from flat laid stone, which is collapsing and failing in several area. They want to remove and rebuild the bank when the pond is at a low level.
- The project also includes plantings in the buffer zone along the bank, preparation of an area in the bugger zone for future dredging, and construction of a treehouse in the buffer zone.
- Access to the pond is via an existing gravel driveway, which may need reinforcement in the form of stone or gravel.
- A wildlife habitat evaluation was done by Goddard Consulting which indicated the project would not substantially reduce the site's capacity to provide important wildlife habitat functions.
- MP made a motion to approve the project as presented. JB seconded. All in favor, with the following conditions.
 - Work on the bank to be done during low flow conditions, June 1st to October 1st. The applicant can ask for an extension of up to November 1st but must notify the commission by September 1st to schedule a site visit and meeting.
 - The Commission is not approving the delineation of the intermittent stream.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50. All members in favor.

APPROVED

Matthew Puntin, Chairman

Date