GILFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes for April 20, 2021

Conference Room A and GoToMeeting Video Conference

Under the emergency order provision related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

On Video Conference were: Chairman- Carole Hall, Vice Chairman - Lee Duncan, Regular Members Larry Routhier and Doug Hill and in person: Regular member Tom Drouin

Members Absent were: Regular member John Jude and Alternate John Goodhue.

Also on Video Conference call was Tim Drew

CALL TO ORDER:​ Chairman-Carole Hall called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.​

ESTABLISH A QUORUM:​ Carole Hall announced that a quorum was present.​

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by L. Duncan, seconded by L. Routhier to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATIONS

1. Standard Dredge & Fill, Wetlands Permit Application for Gail A. Wildstein Irrevocable Trust at 122 Varney Point Road Left. Deferred from the last meeting. 2. Standard Dredge & Fill, Wetlands Permit Application for 118 NH 2015 Trust at 118 Varney Point Road Left. Deferred from the last meeting.

The Members decided to discuss both of the applications at the same time.

L. Duncan said that there is a steep drain that goes in between both of the properties. They need definitely need something there.

C. Hall wanted to make sure that they aren’t building out into the lake they are just adding to what is existing. Yes, that’s correct replied L. Duncan. He thought that they should included some larger rocks as well.

Motion made by L. Routhier, seconded by T. Drouin to recommend approval as per plans and application and to suggest that that larger rocks should be included. Motion carried with all in favor.

PBN’s

C. Hall brought went over two applications that came in for informational only.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Weeks Field

C. Hall said that she sent an email out to Lisa Morin with regard to the Weeks property.

There will be a site visit w/ NRCS at the Week’s property and the Conservation Commission and Steering Committee.

We will meet at the town hall on Thursday, May 6, 2021 @ 9am and carpool over to the site.

C. Hall said that she did contact Barbara with regard to grants for this. She was told that there would be something coming up virtually, and if we are interested we will need to sign up for it.

Someone needs to take the course as well.

D. Hill said that he noticed that the small grant for the NH Fish and Game was not on the list. So that’ll be something to look into.

2. Site Review

C. Hall said that there were a couple of applications to report out on.

PEM

There was a site plan that had been previously approved and they have reduced the size of it and changed it to just one phase. So they will need to have the amended site plan approved.

Celco Verizon Wireless

Bagley owns the property. She said that there is a prime wetland and the applicant will have a wetlands scientist map it out. There is an existing road and that’s what they will be using to go in and out and to bring in the equipment for the tower.

D. Hill asked if C. Hall was comfortable with what she saw on the proposal.

D. Hill asked if they were going to be build it from the ground or was it going to be brought in.

How wide is the site?

L. Routhier drove out there but he wasn’t able to see which road it was.

C. Hall will contact J. Ayer to make sure that there will be no damage going in and out of the road and there were concerns with regard to equipment and what if any crane was going in there and what equipment would they be using.

D. Hill said that it’s a fair question when they say that there will be no impact to the wetland when going in and out of there. So, how will they be going in and out and where are they going to sit exactly.

Discussion ensued.

A to Z Fitness

C. Hall explained what she knew.

L. Duncan said that we need a wetland delineation of that property. T. Drouin gave a short explanation of what he remembered.

D. Hill wanted to know if we should ask the NH Wetland Bureau, NH DES to do an inspection.

He wondered if we could just call them and see if they would come. L. Routhier said that would make sense, because they approved the after the fact permit.

Motion made by D. Hill, seconded by L. Routhier to contact NHDES and ask them to make an inspection. Motion carried with all in favor.

MINUTES:

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by L. Duncan, seconded by T. Drouin to adjourn the meeting of April 20, 2021. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Hart, Technical Assistant