

## MINUTES TO CONSERVATION COMMISSION Site Walk – SOMERSWORTH, NH

June 17, 2017

31 Coles Pond Road

8:00 AM

Attending: Angela Ficco, Scott Orzechowski, Sarah McGraw, Dale Smith-Kenyon

### 1) PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Site walk to review a proposal for a conditional use permit for work within the wetland buffer on property located at 31 Coles Pond Road, in the Residential Single Family (R1) District, Assessor's Map 49, Lot 16, CUP #01-2017

The Commission met to tour the property proposed for the construction of a 960 square-foot house on a 0.193 acre lot on Lily Pond. Scott Orzechowski called the meeting to order at 8:10 AM.

Dave Francoeur provided the updated plan, with the recommended stone-filled infiltration trenches (drip edge) along the length of the north and south sides of the house, 12 (twelve) inches wide and 18 (eighteen) inches deep, filled with pea stone or river stone, to slow runoff toward the pond; a Filtrexx sock downslope of the well drilling; drip edge at the terminus of the driveway; and placement of two wetland buffer boundary markers.

The proposed footprint of the structure will be almost entirely between 50 feet and 100 feet from the shoreline – completely within the state's 250 foot Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act setback to the east, and about 50% within the city's 100-foot wetland buffer to the west. The wetland is across the road from the property. A well will be drilled about ten feet from the shoreline, in the Northeast corner of the lot. The septic system will be in the southwest corner of the lot.

The lot is sandy, very lightly vegetated, and about 50% covered in pine needles. The topography rises between the proposed structure and the wetland, and will remain so. There is also a slight berm on both sides of the road. Ground cover will remain untouched; grass will not be planted, and no fertilizers or herbicides will be used.

Angela Ficco made a motion to accept the amended plan. Dale Smith-Kenyon seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Dave Francoeur asked the Commission to look at the adjacent property (Map 49, lot 15), on which there are high piles of household items, children's toys, an unused recreational vehicle, and gallon cans of unidentified contents. Most of the property is covered, to within a foot of the shore. Scott referred Dave to the Code Enforcement Officer. Scott will also check NH DES regulations.

- B. Any other new business that may come before the Commission. None.

Dale Smith-Kenyon made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Sarah McGraw. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Scott Orzechowski (Vice-Chair)