

## Conservation Commission – March 17, 2022 in Zoom/Conference Call Meeting

Members present were Dr. John Schreiber, Co-Chair Chair, Mr. Freddy Friedman, Co-Chair, Mrs. Nanci Worthington, and Dr. Doug Hyde. Others present were Mr. Jackson Alberti, Attorney Ms. Elizabeth Goodman, Ms. Martha Bryan, Ms. Shannon Boomsma, Mr. Marc Gourevitch, Mr. William Hosier, Attorney Mr. Peter Puciloski, Mr. Leonard Golub, Mr. Allen Isaacson, Mr. Mark Amstead, Mr. Chris Tryon, Mr. Jack Tolin & Mr. Todd Wilkinson.

Meeting was called to order at 5PM.

Meeting minutes of February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 were accepted as amended.

Golub/Benton Hill LLC Hearing: Present for this continued hearing was property owner Mr. Leonard Golub and Mr. Jackson Alberti, Foresight Land Services, for the NOI that was filed. Location is 0 Rhoades & Bailey Rd. Mr. Golub mentioned that there hasn't been enough time to up with a cost estimate and he will be meeting Mr. Alberti at site on April 4<sup>th</sup>. After the brief discussion a motion was made, seconded and so voted to continue this hearing till April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Mrs. Worthington extending thanks for all the due diligence on this project.

Rennert: No one was present to discuss this project. It was noted that silt fence has been installed. A memo will be sent to the owners requesting a NOI be filed in a timely fashion.

Lake Buel District: Mr. Mark Amstead, Chair of the Board was present to request an extension on two order of conditions, one for cleaning & maintain outlet of the lake and the second order for draw down of the lake. After a brief discussion and motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve both extension for three years.

Hooven Hearing: No one was present for this hearing. A motion was made, second and so voted to continue till April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Steinglass Hearing: Present for this hearing was Dr. Marc Gourevitch & representative Ms. Shannon Boomsma, White Engineering Inc. Applicant submitted a NOI for the purpose of tree removal and slope stabilization. Property location is 148 Lumbert Cross Rd. Ms. Boomsma mentioned that the trees are across from the Gourevitch's property and also mentioned that the house is in danger if the trees fall. Ms. Boomsma reviewed DEP comments with the Commission. After discussion a motion was made, seconded and so voted to close this hearing. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve this application.

Tolin Hearing: Present for this hearing was property owner Mr. Jack Tolin and representative, Mr. Chris Tryon, Berkshire Geo-Technologies. Applicant submitted a NOI for the purpose of removal of existing house, garage, and shed and construction of a new single family house, septic & well and tree removal. Property location is 114 Downs Rd. Mr. Tryon mentioned that most of the house is out of the buffer zone, existing house is roughly 1000 SF. and new house is 2600 SF., with a garage area of 850 SF. Mr. Tryon also mentioned that they are pulling in the

area from the lake new construction footprint will be placed farther in from the lake edge than the existing structure, storm water mitigation is also included in the plan. Mr. Tryon reviewed DEP comments with the Commission. It was agreed to remove the dock from this NOI since it may overlap with Natural Heritage and Endangered Species area. After discussion a motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve this application with the following conditions: 1 to 1 native tree replanting, dock to be removed from NOI/order, Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP) approval of dock being removed from NOI, and permission for Commission to site visit.

#### New/Old Business:

Present to discuss complaint regarding berm installed on Canaan Southfield Road were, Mr. William Hosier, property manager for Vergelegen LLC, Mr. Peter Puciloski, Attorney, & Mr. Todd Wilkinson. Dr. Schreiber mentioned that he has been in contact with DEP who recommend that the berm be removed and the disturbance be pulled back to the original boundaries of the gravel pit since the area is in within the 100 year flood plain and is jurisdictional. DEP is specifically concerned that the berm will block flood waters. Mr. Wilkinson mentioned that he has hired an engineering firm. Mr. Wilkinson agreed to remove back the berm and to smooth the area out to the original gravel pit boundary, once the frost gone and he'll contact the Commission for a site visit upon completion of berm removal. Site visit will occur from the road only since property owner isn't allowing access to enter the property to the Commission.

The Commission reviewed the special permit submitted to the Board of Selectmen for Torrico – at 234 NM South Sandisfield Road, for new construction. The Commission findings are this project isn't jurisdictional, but if any additional work occurs with the driveway then a RDA will need to be submitted.

The Commission reviewed the mail:

- Recorded order of conditions – Gourevitch/Cherry – 98 Lumbert Cross Road.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> at 5PM.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn at 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Chretien  
Secretary