

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Ed Schwarz, Michiel Zegers, James Smith, Ted von Rosenvinge, Robert Turner, Sarah Schlechter and Catherine Minter

The meeting of the Weston Conservation Commission opened at 7:45 p.m.

SET WALK DATE

The walk date was set for Saturday, January 20, 2018. The Commissioners will meet at Town Hall at 8:00 a.m.

RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS:

- Weston I, LLC, 107 Georgetown Road, new driveway entrance

MOTION TO RECEIVE

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application for Weston I, LLC, 107 Georgetown Road and Mr. Smith seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

DISCUSSION/DECISION: IRON SHEILD INVESTMENTS, 35 HIDDEN SPRING DRIVE, NEW HOUSE CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED SITE WORK (PEAK ENGINEERS)

Tom Quinn, P.E. from Peak Engineering came forward to present the application. He stated that the plans have been slightly improved with more detail, the house is in the same location and they decided to flip the primary and reserve septic areas. He noted that this is one of three lots in the three lot subdivision with one of the lots currently being developed. He indicated the subdivision approval limit of disturbance line and stated they would like to have some improvements in that upland review area and asked for a reduction in the limit of disturbance line. He noted that there is a dispute over a portion of the property with the Gun Club who believe they own it. He also noted that they are just going to develop 2 lots instead of 3 and would like to have that limit of disturbance line changed slightly. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Schwarz asked what affect the cutting of the large trees will have on the flow of water into the wetlands and Mr. Quinn suggested a 20 foot planting buffer at the top of the slope which would also allow the retention of 4 or 5 large trees. Mr. Schwarz stated that the Commission would need to see some evidence that it would not have any negative impact to the wetlands. Mr. Quinn also described how the runoff from the house and driveway would be handled. Discussion continued.

Following discussion Mr. Schwarz stated that the applicant needs to come back next month with additional information to justify going into the limit of disturbance and what impact the removal of the trees would have on the wetlands.

ASPETUCK VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB, 67 OLD REDDING ROAD, SEDIMENT
REMOVAL FROM PONDS (US PITCHCARE, LLC)

Kevin Fuselier, Landscape Architect from Milone & Macbroom, representing the applicant came forward and stated that the proposal is to remove sediment from 3 of the ponds on the golf course, 2 of which are in Weston and the third being in Easton. He stated that the ponds are about 2 feet deep now with about a foot and a half of sediment. The ponds will be lowered so that the removal of sediment can be done. He explained that the removed material would be added to an organic stockpile area by Hole 18 where it will be stored and dried out for future use on the site. He indicated the silt fence detail on the plan and discussion ensued.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Zegers made a motion to approve the application of Aspetuck Valey Country Club, 67 Old Redding Road for sediment removal from 2 ponds as shown on plans prepared by Milone & Macbroom dated 11/16/17, subject to the Standard Conditions and certified wetlands scientist will submit letter indicating that material coming out of ponds is not being stored in a wetland. Mr. Schwarz seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

DISCUSSION/DECISION: 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the 2018 Meeting Schedule and Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the Minutes from November 16, 2017 and Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0 (1 abstain, Schlechter).

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Turner seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Delana Lustberg
Recording Secretary