Town of SHELBURNE

Conservation Commission

MINUTES

Regular Meeting ~ August 10, 2021

Present: Steve McCormick, Ellen Jenkins, Norm Davenport, John Richardson

Absent: Allan Smith

Administrative Assistant: Faye Whitney

Guests: Kathy Lytle, Andrew Quient. Kevin Lennon, Ron Szpila

Chair Norm Davenport opened the meeting at 7 p.m. A quorum was present. The meeting was held via Zoom.

**Minutes**

Approving the minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

**Building Permits**

4 Pleasant Street LLC, 874 Mohawk Trail

**Organizational Matters**

Faye mentioned the difficulty of scheduling site visits. It was suggested that site visits should take place the evening before the monthly meetings.

**Ron Szpila**

Mr. Szpila is in the process of selling his home on Bardwells Ferry Road. He needs a Title 5 inspection and for that he needs an RDA.

**RDA Meeting for Kathy Lytle – 7:15 p.m.**

Steve, Ellen, Norm, and John have all visited the site ay 304 Shelburne Center Road. The plan is to put crushed rock at the top of the stream bank and along the side of the bank to prevent further erosion when the stream floods. Steve was concerned that the stream would be modified. It was decided that the rip rap would be used to restore the lawn that had been in place before the flooding. A motion was made by John, seconded by Steve, to approve the RDA application submitted by Kathy Lytle as a Negative 3 with the conditions that the work was not to be done until the area had dried out and the work was not to be done for at least 10 days from the date of issuance. Roll call vote: Norm – yes; Steve – yes; Ellen – yes; John – yes. Motion passed 4-0-0.

**New Business**

Andrew Quient had previously had a design for a driveway with two additional parking spaces approved by the Commission. He has now modified that plan a bit to prevent erosion. The new parking area will be graded to direct water away from an already eroded area. It was agreed that this was not a substantial changeto the approved plan and should not require a new RDA.

**Old Business**

**RDA Meeting for Kevin Lennon and Lisa Fusco, Little Mohawk Road**

John and Ellen had done a site visit to Little Mohawk Road. Mr. Lennon had the area delineated by a wetland scientist and would like to have the edge of his new driveway 50 feet from the streambank. The wetland scientist said the stream is intermittent. The pitch of the proposed driveway is not towards the stream. The closest point of the driveway would be between 50 and 60 feet from the stream. A motion was made by Steve, seconded by Ellen, to approve the plan as submitted by Kevin Lennon and Lisa Fusco as a Negative 3, with the following conditions: the work will occur outside the 50-foot buffer zone, the work will be done in accordance with standard practices, and hay bales will be used to protect the intermittent stream during construction. Roll call vote: Norm – yes; Steve – yes; Ellen – yes; John – yes. Motion passed 4-0-0.

John left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

**Tree Cutting Along Stream**

This was tabled.

**Craig Manning Beaver Dam**

This was tabled

The next meeting will be September 14.

At 8:20 p.m. Steve, seconded by Ellen, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Norm – yes; Ellen – yes; Steve – yes. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Faye Whitney

Administrative Assistant

**Document List**

Lennon/Fusco RDA Application

Kathy Lytle RDA Application