

MINUTES TO CONSERVATION COMMISSION SITE WALK – SOMERSWORTH, NH

November 22, 2014

19 Tri City Road

8:00AM

Attending: Liz Wilson, Angela Ficco-Orzechowski, Frank Richardson, Jeremy Rhodes, Scott Orzechowski, Imants Millers, Dale Smith-Kenyon

1) PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Site walk of the property located on Tri City Road to review a proposal for a conditional use permit for work within the wetland buffer on property located at Tri City Road, in the Business (B) District, Assessor's Map 39, Lot 03, CUP #03-2014

The Commission met to tour the 19 Tri City Road property proposed for development as an apartment complex. Three 48-unit buildings are proposed for the site. One significant change between the plan presented during the November meeting and the site walk was to change a swale structure draining to a sedimentation basin to a pipe. The purpose for such a change centered on avoiding a zoning variance. Frank Richardson expressed concern over the maintenance and long-term functionality of such a structure. He indicated that he would discuss the matter with Dave Sharples.

The applicant will also request a waiver from the tree count requirement, because there is already such dense vegetation within the buffer.

The Commission walked much of the site and commented that an existing 8-inch pipe culvert underneath an unpaved utility road would need to be replaced. The Commission also noted an abundance of debris partially buried by soil and vegetation. These items will be removed to the extent possible without disturbing the site unnecessarily.

Frank Richardson asked if there are any plans to include bike lanes or sidewalks to the paved areas of the site given the property's close proximity to retail outlets and transportation on High Street.

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

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Wilson (Secretary)