Hamilton Conservation Commission Minutes of Meeting of December 10, 2014 Meeting held at Hamilton Town Hall

Commissioners present:

Richard Luongo, Chair, Virginia Cookson, Bob Cronin, George Tarr.

Staff present:

Jim Hankin, Conservation Agent

Others present: Gerry MacDonald, H.L. Graham Associates

Richard Luongo opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Jim Hankin explained that the RDA on tonight's agenda for 18 Bittersweet Lane was withdrawn with prejudice by the applicant.

Request for Determination

15 Juniper Road Elizabeth Simon Appl., Gerry MacDonald Title V designer Install Title V compliant septic system plan 60' from EOW

Gerry MacDonald representing the applicant described details about existing septic system and leach pits in groundwater. A new system has been designed for the three bedroom house with septic tank, gravity fed into a leach field in front and retaining wall to get the system the required feet under above groundwater. There is a drainage ditch and wetland behind the dwelling. The new system is sited as far away from the wetlands as possible but is in the 100 foot buffer zone. The septic system design meets the state's 50' setback requirement. The property has finished lawn in the back with house intervening between the septic system and the wetlands. Two existing shallow leach pits and septic tank will be abandoned and filled in with material brought in. Proposed erosion control may be either hay bales, silt fence or silt sock. The Health Agent approved the septic system design.

Virginia Cookson moved to issue a Negative Determination under the Wetlands Protection Act and Town by-law. Bob Cronin seconded the motion. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Notice of Intent

24 Woodbury Street Construct addition to dwelling and gravel driveway Bill Gribbell applicant

The Chairman re-opened the public hearing which was continued on November 20, 2014.

The Commission received no comments from DEP. Discussion revisited proposal for installation of septic system outside of jurisdiction, new turnaround driveway, addition, crawl space, full basement and screen porch constructed attached to the existing dwelling. Ms.

Cookson moved to close the hearing. George Tarr seconded the motion. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Ms. Cookson moved to issue Order of Conditions for the construction of the addition to the existing structure and rearranging of the gravel drive at 24 Woodbury Street. Mr. Tarr seconded the motion. Discussion ensued about developed lot that is on riverfront and what is being altered is lawn and existing structure. Erosion control will be inspected by Conservation Agent before work starts. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Acceptance of minutes of November 20, 2014

Mr. Cronin moved to accept the minutes for November 20, 2014. Mr. Tarr seconded the motion. The Commission voted 3-0-1 with Ms. Cookson abstaining since she was not at the meeting.

HCC Calendar 2015

Dates are primarily scheduled on second and fourth Wednesdays except for July 4, Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day and during school vacation weeks. Ms. Cookson moved to approve the Hamilton Conservation Commission calendar for 2015. Mr. Tarr seconded the motion. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Cronin moved to adjourn. Mr. Tarr seconded the motion. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion. The Commission adjourned at 7:31 p.m. The Commission's next meeting is on Wednesday, January 14, 2015.

Minutes submitted December 18, 2014 by Jane Dooley