

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES of MEETING
Tuesday, January 9, 2024
TOWN HALL ANNEX, 39 CENTRAL STREET
APPROVED: 1/30/24

Present: Chair Daniel Shinnick, Vice Chair Howard Vogel (7:52 PM), Nancy Miller,
Sam Streiff, Howard Terrien and Ann Witzig
Absent: N/A
Attending: Brent Baeslack, Conservation Agent

Opening Statement: Authorized by Wetlands Protection Act, Town of Rowley Wetlands Protection Bylaw, and the Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Bylaw. Meeting convened at 7:30 PM (all legal ads were read to open new agenda items). This remote meeting was held pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 which extends the expiration of the provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law to March 31, 2025. The public could not physically attend this meeting, but every effort was made to allow the public to view the meeting in real time.

Administrative: Commissioners reviewed and authorized the payroll and reimbursement of various vendor bill requests.

Acceptance of Minutes: After the Commission reviewed the minutes of December 5, 2023, Witzig moved to accept the minutes. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Acceptance of Minutes: After the Commission reviewed the minutes of August 9, 2005, Streiff moved to accept the minutes. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Review of Response from Rowley Country Club 235 Dodge Road (Map 9, Parcel/ Lot 21) Rowley Greens LLC: The Commission reviewed and discussed the emailed response from Rowley Country Club to concerns regarding the manner of notification of the public's right to access the golf course as provided in the Conservation Restriction document when the course was closed to golfers. Agent Baeslack advised that new signage had been installed and a notice had been placed on the website, notifying the public of access to the walking paths when the golf course is closed. He advised that the request for the property owner to meet with the Commission had been "respectfully declined". Miller advised that during her walks she had observed that the access gate, which had previously always been locked, was now unlocked. At this time the Commission declined to pursue the matter further.

Request for Extension of Order of Conditions DEP #63-0625 for land off Daniels Road (Map 9, Parcel 23) Danielsville LLC: The Commission discussed the request for a two (2) year Extension to Order of Conditions DEP #63-0625. The Extension (third) was being requested to allow for completion of the OSRD with nine (9) residential dwellings, shared

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sewage disposal system, roadway, stormwater facilities, grading and utilities. Mr. Gregory Bernard was in attendance on behalf of the applicant Danielsville LLC. The Commission reviewed Agent Baeslack's email memo dated January 9, 2024. The Commission agreed to the two (2) year Extension.

Witzig moved to issue a two (2) year Extension for DEP #63-0625 Order of Conditions. Streiff seconded and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Adjournment:

Accomplished 8:00 PM by a motion made by Vogel. Terrien seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by Brent Baeslack, Conservation Agent