Town of SHELBURNE

Conservation Commission

MINUTES

Regular Meeting ~ July 9, 2019

Present: Norman Davenport, Ellen Jenkins, John Richardson

Absent: Steve McCormick, Allan Smith

Administrative Assistant: Faye Whitney

Guests: Joe Palmeri, Ron Szpila, Annette Szpila

Chair Norm Davenport opened the meeting at 7:12 p.m. A quorum was present.

It was noted that there had been no meeting in June.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by John, seconded by Ellen, to approve the minutes of May 14, 2019.

 Voting in favor: Norm, John, Ellen

 Opposed: None

 Abstentions: None

**RDA Meeting for Joe Palmeri**

Norm had visited the site. Joe would like to repair an existing farm road which is close to, but not in, a bordering vegetative wetland. The road is 14 feet in width. Joe plans to repair as 12-foot wide area. The road extends from Joe’s parking lot on the Mohawk Trail to Center Road. He has a curb cut permit for the Center Road end. A motion was made by John, seconded by Ellen, to approve the RDA for Joe Palmeri with Negative 3 Determination, with the condition that all work be done within the existing 16-foot roadbed.

 Voting in favor: Norm, John, Ellen

 Opposed: None

 Abstentions: None

**Sweetheart Project**

Questions have been raised about material from the Sweetheart parking lot encroaching on the riverfront area. The parking lot itself is outside the riverfront area and the owners have put in a road that would serve to catch any materials that were pushed towards the river. Mark Stinson has been contacted about this situation and felt that the Commission has no jurisdiction over this project.

**RDA Meeting Ron and Annette Szpila**

A site visit was done with John and Ellen present. The applicants would like to install tanks to hold grey water near their guest cottage. The site they have chosen is more than 100 feet from Dragon Brook. There will be no digging involved with this project, but there will be filling. Dick Hillman will be doing the work. The engineer for the project is Sean Kimberly. A motion was made by John, seconded by Ellen, to approve the RDA for Ron Szpila with a Negative 3 Determination, with the condition that the location and installation of the tanks be done in accordance with the plans designed by Sean Kimberly.

 Voting in favor: Norm, John, Ellen

 Opposed: None

 Abstentions: None

The Commission agreed to waive the 35-day review period for a Special Permit for Michael Skalski.

The next meeting was scheduled for August 13.

At 8:25 p.m. John, seconded by Ellen, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Faye Whitney

Administrative Assistant