

Swanzy Conservation Commission
Minutes
February 6, 2012
Town Hall 4:00 PM

SCC Chair Michael Day called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM

Present: Bob Goodrich, [vice chair] Stephen Stepenuck (arrived 4:25), Deb Crowder, Mike Morrison (arrived 5:15), Gary Coburn, Jane Johnson, Ric Dell'Erba

Excused: Theresa Diluzio

1. Welcome of new member: Ric Dell'Erba: Day welcomed Dell'Eerba to the SCC. Dell'Erba thanked the commission for the opportunity.

2. Guest: Dick Fraser from One Source Properties and Permitting;
RE: Alteration of Terrain Permit Application. DES File Number 11230-148
Mr. Fraser presented the proposed project to the SCC. The project would affect approximately 11 of the 21 acres on the property. Mr. Fraser explained many management practices of the project, including a reverse slope to infiltrate water onsite, a screen at the entrance to prevent sand from being deposited onto the road, and the reclamation plans of loam and seeding. The SCC did not have any concerns with the proposed project and thanked Mr. Fraser for his time.

3. Planning Board Agenda (2/9/12) Item C. 1. "Request for Extension of Subdivision Approval - Edon Tap requests a one-year extension of the subdivision approval for property situated off Talbot Hill Road, shown at Tax map 43, Lot 11. (Current approval expires on 4/5/12.)"
The SCC asked Sara Carbonneau, [Town Planner], to explain the current item on the planning board agenda. Ms. Carbonneau explained that the applicant must apply for an extension of the initial approval, which is due to expire in April. Chairman Day thanked Ms. Carbonneau for her time. The SCC discussed concerns about wetlands delineation. Stepenuck presented a report "First Review" [date Nov 6 2006] from Underwood Associates, hired by the town in 2006, which outlined many concerns with the project. The SCC agreed that those concerns are still prevalent in 2012 as they were in 2006, and that someone should represent the SCC at the PB meeting and state our concerns. Chair Day volunteered to attend the meeting, and present a memo and the 2006 report to the PB.

4. Planning Board: New Tennant application: BDM Sweeper Service:
93 Base Hill Rd. Tax Map 52 Lot 18: Chair Day asked for comments to include in his department head review form. Members commented on the history of complaints about wetland filling on the property. Members requested an investigation of possible wetland infringement, including viewing aerial photos of the property, conducting a soil test of the edge of wetlands, and requesting a site walk. They were also concerned about stormwater runoff, and how materials would be protected from flowing into the wetlands.

5. 2012: Goals and Visioning: Visioning meeting postponed to March meeting. Stepenuck and Crowder mentioned being proactive on our issues, including a littering ordinance, and possible initiatives to preserve water and energy.

6. Reports from representatives
 - a. ARLAC: Stepenuck forwarded minutes from previous meeting.
 - b. Open Space: Crowder explain the “Flat Ike” project
 - c. Natural Resources (SWRPC): Morrison explained the upcoming presentation on Bears and Bobcats. More information to follow.

7. Minutes
 - a. January Meeting: Morrison motioned to accept the minutes of the January meeting. Coburn seconded. Vote Passed 4-0-4.

8. Adjourn: Johnson motioned to adjourn. Morrison seconded. Vote Passed 8-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Michael Day, SCC Chair.