

# TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

January 17, 2022

## MINUTES

**Due to weather concerns, this meeting was held virtually on gotomeeting and a video will be available on the Town's website.**

Members present: Chuck Mitchell, Chair; Bob Hardy; Helen Hanks; Jim Cropsey; Paul Rushlow; Jon Scanlon; and Kathi Mitchell

Guest: Chris Rice, TF Moran

### **Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:13 p.m.**

- 1. Statement** – The chair read the following statement: This is an advisory to all members that tonight's meeting may not fully qualify to be an emergency meeting. According to the State of New Hampshire, virtual meetings are only permitted in cases of emergency and, when being conducted, a space at Town Hall needs to be set up with both video and audio access for the public should they wish to attend. I contacted Town Hall and inquired as to who would set up a space and have the proper equipment available. The only response I received was that Town Hall is closed today as it is a holiday. We are only meeting tonight so we do not delay a response to the project being presented to the Planning Board with the project being presented tonight by TF Moran; therefore, I am declaring this as an emergency. It is my intent to record comments with regard to this project, but we will not take any official votes. All official business will be deferred until our February meeting. I will work with our secretary to put together any comments regarding the project being presented for Nickerson's Business Park.
- 2. Choice One Properties, Business Park Drive Lot 1-15** – The property on Business Park Drive has 3.3 acres and is located in the industrial district. The plan is to construct a one-story medical dialysis center of 7700 square feet with plans for 12 patients and 13 employees. Little medical waste will be generated, and it will be picked up every two weeks. The commissioners requested that all medical waste be stored and locked inside the building until it is picked up. The applicant will be asking for conditional use permits from the Town for 22.9% impervious surface instead of 15% and a buffer impact of about 1100 square feet. Temporary impact to the buffer will be 1250 square feet. A retaining wall ranging from six to 2 feet will be in place. The intent is to treat runoff with an underground discharge system that will decrease the runoff. The applicant will provide runoff data for 10, 20, and 50 year storms. The commissioners also requested data for 100-year storms. Snow storage will be located on the outer perimeters to the east and west with nothing placed on the north side. There will be a dumpster behind the building. The commissioners requested a bear-proof container be provided. There will be curbing and catch basins leading to the underground filtration system. The commissioners would request that curbing should be granite or concrete and not bituminous or asphalt. Mr. Rice indicated that they may have to blast some of the ledge.
- 3. Old Business:**
  - a) Policy for signing expedited permits** – The commissioners were asked to review the tentative policy to be reviewed at the February meeting.
  - b) NH Fish and Game Habitat Improvement Small Grants Program** – The program parameters would

not be a good fit for Salmon Run or Buffalo Park. The TCC members are interested in ways to encourage fishing access at Salmon Run. This will be discussed at the February meeting.

**4. New Business:**

a) **Salmon Run test results** – The arsenic levels at two of the test wells are still above state standards. The TCC has discussed merging the two lots and including the language from the state deed. More discussion will take place at next month's meeting.

**5. Correspondence:**

a) Federal Energy Regulatory Commission – P-2456-NH: Ayers Island proposed subsurface exploration at the Ayers Island project. Received January 3, 2022.

**6. Other:**

a) Chuck contacted Arin Mills at NH DOT regarding the proposed project along the Winnepesaukee River. She indicated that they would prefer a Zoom-type meeting as opposed to in-person. Chuck will check to see if the Community Room at the Police Station could be used once we have a date.

b) It appears that the Clarks' dredge and fill application has been approved by NH DES and that Mr. Chisholm's application has been submitted to NH DES.

c) It appears that snow is being plowed and placed on the wetlands behind the old Agway store. The Town has been notified of this violation.

Jim made the **motion** to adjourn which was seconded by Paul. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Mitchell, secretary