TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
January 21, 2013
MINUTES

Members present: Ben Wadleigh, Paul Rushlow, Jon Scanlon, Bob Hardy, Helen Hanks and Kathi Mitchell.

Minutes: Jon Scanlon moved, seconded by Paul Rushlow to approve the minutes, as amended, for November 19, 2012 as read. Motion passed.

Update on Ernie’s: Deconstruction is in progress. Photos of the process are available on line at http://www.tiltoncc.org/pictures.htm thanks to Kathi and Chuck Mitchell. Removal of the buildings will be completed soon and then removal of contaminated dirt will occur in the spring.

Correspondence:
- A thank you note from Joseph Stone at WRSD. Chuck Mitchell has responded to his request for clarification of the last correspondence to WRSD from the Conservation Commission.
- LRPC – meeting announcement
- BCCD – budget
- UNH Cooperative Extension – request for funds
- Request from the Planning Board relative to “steep slopes” in the Master Plan and guidance relative to the Wetlands Conservation District. The Planning Board is suggesting that it be Made more difficult to get a Special Use Permit for a use within the wetland buffer. After discussion, Helen Hanks moved, seconded by Paul Rushlow to request that the “steep slope appendix” be included within the Natural Resources section of the Master Plan. Motion passed. Ben Wadleigh moved, seconded by Paul Rushlow that the Conservation Commission should be consulted before approval of a Special Use Permit. Motion passed.

215 Laconia Road Site Plan and Storm Water Retention Plan: Members reviewed the plans as submitted to the Planning Board for Storm Water Retention at 215 Laconia Road calling for covering the entire lot with impervious surfaces. The plan calls for an underground detention system under the parking lot with a catch basin collecting all water from the lot. Jon Scanlon asked whether if there could be existing water underground on this site as it is near wetlands. He also asked if the underground system would negate the requirement of leaving pervious surface on the lot. Helen Hanks questioned whether all the water would actually go to the catch basin. Helen added that connecting his building to the sewer line is a good thing.
Questions and comments for the Planning Board are:
1. The location of wells and septic systems of the abutters should be shown on the plan.
2. There needs to be some form of treatment to remove salt and oil from the drainage system.
3. What type of maintenance plan has been proposed for this storm water system?
4. Is there a load limit for the proposed drainage system or would delivery trucks cause damage.
5. Where is snow storage planned
6. What is the water supply
7. Allowing the lot to be completely impervious will impact the abutter’s septic systems and water supply.
8. Where are the existing well and septic system for the lot?
9. Snow removal “as needed” is a concern. The plan should say the snow will be removed for each storm and designate a temporary snow storage area with snow to be removed within 2 days of a storm.
10. Where is the “grass cover” noted in the storm water detention/infiltration sizings which appear to assume there will be grass cover, but the plan calls for complete coverage with paving.
11. The plan does not indicate what the impervious surface will be and whether there will be any pervious surface areas.

After further discussion and because of the numerous questions on this plan, Paul Rushlow moved, seconded by Kathi Mitchell to ask the Planning Board to have this plan reviewed by an independent engineer to determine if this plan will perform as suggested. Motion passed.

Other:
Snow removal: Jon Scanlon moved, seconded by Ben Wadleigh to send a letter to the Planning Board, with a copy to the Selectmen, voicing the Conservation Commission’s concerns about the increased number of commercial properties indicating off site snow storage. There are no specific sites for snow storage noted on the plan and there is no way of knowing whether the snow is being delivered to an area within the aquifer. The off site snow storage lot should be reviewed by the Planning Board. Ben Wadleigh suggested that perhaps it would be better to require that space be made available on each lot for snow storage. Motion to send a letter with this concern to the Planning Board was passed.

Trash barrels: After discussion about the lack of trash barrels at places like Burger King, Jon Scanlon moved, seconded by Helen Hanks to send a letter to the Planning Board suggesting that they require a certain number of trash barrels based upon the number of parking spaces when
approving commercial business sites plans. This would be particularly true for restaurants. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza Conde, Secretary

Minutes approved February 18, 2013