TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
December 16, 2013  
MINUTES

Members present: Chuck Mitchell, Kathi Mitchell, Jon Scanlon, Ben Wadleigh, Paul Rushlow, Bob Hardy, Helen Hanks, Jim Cropsey and Sukie Clark.

Minutes: Helen Hanks moved, seconded by Bob Hardy to approve the minutes of November 18, 2013 as read. Motion passed.

Autoserve: Roland Gamelin, representing Autoserve, presented plans for a new body shop at the former Woodworking shop on Rte 140. They have removed the single family home and are currently leveling the area in front of the existing building. All work is more than 200 feet from the river and a silt fence has been installed. Chuck Mitchell cautioned that it is necessary to stay at least 20 feet from the wetland area behind the building. Jim Cropsey suggested creating a permanent berm to protect the wetlands. Mr. Gamelin noted that Autoserve may want to fill in the seasonal wet area in the future and would be applying to DES for a permit. The Conservation Commission would have the opportunity to comment on that application.

Helen Hanks asked if there will be an oil/water separator. Mr. Gamelin replied that there would be and added that all paints are low VOC and are regulated by DES. Disposition of materials is also regulated. Autoserve is installing state of the art spray booths with recirculators, etc. as well as a 1,000 gallon waste oil separator to collect dirt from cleaning cars.

Jon Scanlon suggested that the silt fence should be located to protect the seasonal wet area. A berm has already been created so that nothing will go into that area. No further comments were made relative to this plan.

Landscaping for “Ernie’s”: (Rick Silverberg and Iris Ianno in attendance)

♀ Parking – up to 10 vehicles
♀ Fence/barrier between road and parking lot – boulders including on the northeast side of the parking lot so that people do not try to enter or exit from that side.
♀ Fence/barrier between parking lot and green area – granite curbing if available or rocks.
♀ Final surface – approximately 70% slow growing grass and 30% wildflowers. Shrubs on the northeast boundary only. Lilacs are preferred but must not be located within 30 feet of the walking trail. Lilacs may be available from the State. It was suggested that using the town’s compost for the flowers would be beneficial.
♀ Picnic tables? Granite benches overlooking the river – could be commemorative fundraisers.
Kiosk – Located between the trail and the parking lot with information on both sides. The kiosk will be 4’x8’ with a small roof and 6”x8” posts.

Kayak/canoe ramp – there will not be dollars available from the EPA grant to install a boat ramp as originally suggested. Since there are ramps above and below this site this is not of great importance at this time. There is already a foot path on the abutting property that kayakers use.

Silver Lake Association: Helen Hanks moved, seconded by Kathi Mitchell to grant $2500 from the Milfoil Fund to the Silver Lake Association for continued milfoil removal. Motion passed. It was agreed that this is an important project to support.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza Conde, Secretary

Minutes approved 01-20-2014