# CONSERVATION COMMISSION TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2020 6:30 P.M.

The Conservation Commission met remotely by video conference call on Tuesday November 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. for the purposes of holding a regular meeting on the following matters.

Town of Berlin invited the public to join this Webex meeting by video or phone dial-in.

Meeting link:

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# **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Michael Delorenzo, Chairman, Guy Hoffman, Vice Chairman, Rob Ramsey, Thomas Heisler, Joe Mazza, Karen Pagliaro Alternate

# **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Carol Goldberger, Karl Lewis, Mary Kathryn Larose, Alternate

### **STAFF LIAISON**

Maureen Giusti

**CALL TO ORDER**: Chairman Delorenzo called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

## **AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS**

Peter Zarabozo

**CORRECTION TO AGENDA** – Minutes for approval – September 8, 2020

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chairman Hoffman moved to approve the September 8, 2020 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Mazza passed unanimously.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Vice Chairman Hoffman made a motion to reorder the agenda items seconded by Commissioner Heisler, passed unanimously.

I. 404 Berlin Turnpike – BT 2008 LLC, Mixed Use Development (new construction)

This proposed property includes a residential development, a clubhouse, a retail building, a hotel a gas station and a park. The approval went through wetlands last month. The proposal includes a public "open space" or recreation area with public parking adjacent to the conservation area.

Peter D'Addeo and his attorney Meghan Hope are present at the meeting. Mr. D'Addeo explained to the commission there was an extensive scientific review on the land and the conservation area nearby. He explained that the project includes upkeep of area and pristine conservation land. Mr. D'Addeo explained to the commission that the proposed project provides extra land to the town as an easement to rebuild the pump station if necessary in the future.

Maureen Giusti, Acting Town Planner and Attorney Hope explained there are documents from DEEP that are available for the commission to review. The public hearing is scheduled for next month. The Conservation Commission will review the Planning and Zoning discussions.

#### II. Site Plan Amendment

197 Episcopal Road Bart Bovee, PE, Authorized Agent For Sliders Sports Bar & Grill November 19, 2020 No Comment

## III. Site Plan Application

2061 Berlin Turnpike Kevin M. Budney, Lifetime Trust No Comment IV. Subdivision – Two lots 1829 Orchard Road Pierre Bennerup November 19, 2020 No Comment

V. 823, 833 & 0 Deming Road – Deming Ridge, Metro Realty site plan amendment (modification to recently approved workforce housing development)

The Commission recommends: (July 2020 Minutes)

- 1. Additional information regarding the Turtle management plan, including any DEEP recommendation and who is responsible for its management, be provided to satisfaction of the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 2. The applicant have a long term management plan in place to maintain the drainage and filtration systems as described.
- VI. Fill Permit -

City of New Britain -

Lot 3, Block 81, Christian Lane – 16,000 cubic yards – 3.56 Acres –

December 3, 2020

As long as the property meets states standards for fill, there is no comment.

VII. Discussion of FY22 budget to the agenda.

Commissioner Heisler made a motion to approve the proposed budget, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, passed unanimously.

(See attachment)

Vice Chairman Hoffman made a motion to add Ragged Mountain to the agenda and approve the relocation of the Blue Orange Trail seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, passed unanimously.

This will solve the erosion problem. The work will be done by the CFPA. Scott Gray is the trail manager. He will also update the map on the kiosk.

Guy Hoffman made a motion to purchase two signs in the amount of \$160.00, seconded by Commissioner Heisler, passed unanimously.

- 1. "Danger" on Beckley Road Quarry Pond.
- 2. "Keep Out", "No Trespassing" on Orchard Road,

Maureen Giusti met with the CFPA official who is working on the adjustment of the trail off Military Experience Project.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Heisler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm, seconded by Commissioner Mazza passed unanimously.

Sincerely,

Marlo Thomas Matassa The Recording Secretary