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Raymond Labore of the SAU Office #19, Tom Sokoloski of TES Environmental and Dan Tatem of Stantec, were present to explain the proposed wetlands impact they are proposing at the High School property along with changing to the access road to the back of the High School by redesigning the exit to be an entrance and an exit, to help eliminate the cars backing up in the roundabout. The rear access off of Wallace Road will be widened and guardrails will be added as well. The following is the proposed wetlands impact to the High School Property:

“Project Description: The school has been experiencing major flooding issues and resulting damage for a number of years now. Due to the continued damage claims, the school’s insurance premiums have increased over \$40,000, annually. In addition, the off-site stormwater flows that pass through the school site also cause considerable downstream flooding that the Town and DPW have been dealing with for years.

There are two 24” culverts and one 18” culvert that direct stormwater from Wallace Road and several side roads and subdivisions that are on the other side of Wallace Road. This off-site stormwater then passes through the school site, causing significant flooding with all storms greater than the 2-year event (minor flooding at the 5-year and significant flooding at any storm events above the 5-year).

The only place the School has to hold back the off-site stormwater is directly south of the southern access road (dedicated exit) for the school. We are also restricted by the utility easement that runs through that area. Considering the fact that a majority of this flow is roadway runoff that is directed into this wetland through the roadway cross culverts, with little to no water quality measures, The school anticipates that the installation of the detention basin will slow the water, allowing a significant amount of sediment removal, thus cleaning the water that is sent towards the currently flooding back yards of the neighbors, directly north of the school. In addition, this will reduce the additional downstream culvert flooding issues.

They estimate the wetland impact to be less than 9,000 square feet. Both of the swales that are to the north of the proposed detention basin appear to be man-made drainage swales constructed as part of the original school construction.

Mitigation as part of the improvements - Considering the flooding issues that both the school and the Town are experiencing, the proposed drainage improvements will serve as a significant mitigation on their own.



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Currently, there are several culverts that are undersized, causing flooding and erosion issues both on the school property and downstream of the school. When these culverts flood, the stormwater flows over the roads, driveways, and land, causing additional sediment transport and deposit the sediment into the wetlands downstream. The improvements will also provide detention, allowing a significant amount of the sediment, that is transported from upstream of the school to be deposited into the proposed detention basin, thus improving the water quality. The stabilization of the constructed stream channel will also significantly reduce the erosion that is currently experiences during most major rain events.”

The Commission thanked them for the presentation and stated they would like to site walk the property before providing comments to NHDES. The Commission will contact the School of the site walk date.



The Conservation Commission reviewed the proposed subdivision plan and the minimum expedited wetlands permit, along with comments from the site walk of the proposed driveway crossing. The commission appreciates moving the driveway to the North out of the 50 ft. wetlands buffer. The Commission still had concerns of the two driveways crossing the wetlands especially the driveway that is being proposed to cross a stream that is 6 ft. wide with a 42 inch culvert as part of the proposal for the crossings. Given that the subdivision plans have just been submitted for Planning Board Review, the Commission stressed the need to walk the property as a whole and voted to schedule a site walk and will provide comments after the site walk to the Planning Board. The Commission will try to schedule before the June 9th Planning Board meeting and will hold off on signing the expedited wetlands impact permit until after the site walk as well.

The Minutes of April 28, 2016 will be voted on at the next meeting.

Budget: The Conservation Open Space Fund at Citizen’s Bank has a balance of \$174,890.96. The Special Milfoil Warrant Article has a balance of \$15,000.00. The People’s United Bank CD is at 275,000.00. The Operating Budget Balance is at 4,789.36.

Open Space Committee Report: David Nieman updated the Commission on the status of the Black Brook Open Space Easement and is still working on obtaining the grant.

Milfoil: Invoice Submitted by Namaske Lake for Milfoil Treatment by Solitude Lake Management for \$2,785.00. The Commission voted to approve the release of the funds to pay the invoice to come out of the Milfoil Warrant Article Budget Line.

The Conservation Commission reviewed the following Correspondence:

- 1) Copy of Alteration of Terrain Permit for DPW for Map 5 Lots 24, Town of Goffstown Sports Fields.
- 2) Intent to Cut Permit for Map 5 Lots 13-2, 32-4 & 33, and Map 8 Lot 1, Locust Hill Road, Owner: Alyson Carpentier, Trustee. (Commission asked to have the Forester check to make sure they comply with the requirements as there are some wetlands within the property.)



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- 3) Town & City Magazine.
- 4) Forest Notes Magazine.
- 5) NH DES Alteration of Terrain Permit and Stormwater Management Report for Self Storage Phase II, Map 5 Lots 56-1, Tatro Drive. (Part of the Plan review.)
- 6) Abutter notification of public hearing on rail trail use after dusk.
- 7) Request from Andrew Cadorette of PRLAC, asking Conservation Commission to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to keep Map 34 Lot 127-1 as a portage site. (The Commission discussed and voted to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to retain the property as an access to the river. David Nieman stressed how the Eagle Scouts could construct stairs to walk down it.)



YMCA Site Amendment for Addition, 116 Goffstown Back Road, Map 6 Lot 18:

The Goffstown Conservation Commission reviewed the YMCA Site Plan Amendment, Map 6 Lot 18, with the proposed changes to the Addition at their May 25, 2016 Meeting. The Commission voted that they have no issues or concerns.

Lot Line Adjustment/Self Storage Phase II, Langley, Map 5 Lots 56, 56-1 & 56-5:

The Conservation Commission reviewed the proposed lot line adjustment and proposed site plan for (4) Storage Units, Phase II, off of Tatro Drive, Map 5 Lots 56, 56-1 & 56-5, owned by Denise Langley Trust and Mast Road Self Storage, LLC. This Conservation Commission recommends that the Planning Board require an adequate amount of landscaping. This project abuts the rail trail and is very close the street which is a gateway to the community. The Conservation Commission request the applicant to come to their next meeting on June 22, 2016, at 7:00 pm, to explain the proposed site plan and the Commission will provide the Planning Board with further comments after that meeting.

Time Extension Request on Approved Site Plan for Gas Station/Dunkin Donuts on Goffstown Back Road, Map 6 Lot 1-3. (Needs more Time to build.):

The Conservation Commission reviewed the Time Extension Request for Map 6 Lot 1-3, Gas Station/Dunkin Donuts with a Drive-thru on Goffstown Back Road. The Conservation Commission voted that they have no issues or concerns with granting the Time Extension.

Miller's Landing Site Plan, Map 35 Lot 35, Condominiums on Elm Street Requesting (Elmer Pease) to Reinstate Approvals:

The Conservation Commission reviewed the proposed site plan. Staff explained that the only changes were to the buildings but the drainage and utilities are proposed as the same. The Commission had concern given it's proximately to the river and requested that the applicant come to the next meeting on June 22, 2016, to explain the project to the Commission. . The Commission will provide comments to the Planning Board after their June 22, 2016 Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.