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EXPANDED DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY

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NASHUA CONSERVATION COMMISSION

May 2, 2023

A. Call to order

A regular meeting of the Nashua Conservation Commission was called to order on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 7:00 PM, 229 Main Street, City Hall in Room 208.

Note: Audio not available for this meeting

B. Roll call

Members present: Sherry Dutzy, Chair
Megan Cook, Treasurer
Jed Crook, Clerk (Arrived 7:05)
Brandon Pierotti
Carol Sarno
Gloria McCarthy, Alt.
Dick Widhu, Alt.

Also in Attendance: Deb Chisholm, Sustainability Dept. Mgr.

C. Approval of minutes

April 4, 2023

MOTION by [Unknown] to approve the minutes, as amended

SECONDED by [Unknown]

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

D. Public Comment Related to Items on the Agenda

Denise Muccioli, 6 Midhurst Drive, Nashua NH: regarding 66 Fairmount Street, proposed Mohawk Tannery redevelopment. Concerns included wetland buffer impacts, ice melt use,

pesticide use, location of dog park, and impacts to wildlife.

E. Old Business

- *Normand and Mary Lavallee (Owners) requesting approval to remove nine trees within the 75-ft "Prime" wetland buffer of Nashua River. Property is located at 115 Shore Drive. Sheet E, Lot 854. R9 Zone. Ward 5.*

MOTION by Commissioner Crook to favorably recommend the proposal with the following stipulations of approval:

1. Remove up to 4 trees to be selected by owner with stumps to remain intact.
2. Establish/enhance the vegetative buffer along the entire width of the top of the bank to a width of 4-6 feet.
3. Native plants should be selected with consideration of soil and sun requirements.
4. Plantings should include a variety of each of the following: low growing ground cover, taller ground cover, small shrubs, larger shrubs and small trees if spacing allows
5. For every mature tree removed, a minimum of 2 small trees or 4 shrubs should be planted.
6. New trees should be at least 1.5 inches in diameter. Shrubs should be a 3-gallon container size
7. Trees and shrubs should be protected with wire mesh to avoid beaver damage.

SECONDED by Commissioner Sarno

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

F. New Business

- *Blaylock Holdings LLC (Owner) requesting Commission review for wetland and wetland buffer impacts within the 75-ft "Prime" wetland buffer of Nashua River for the proposed redevelopment of the Mohawk Tannery site. Property is located at 66 Fairmount Street, L Intervale St, 11 Warsaw Ave, L Fox St, L*

Hughey St, and L Fairmount St. Map 71, Lot 1, Map 70 Lot 13 and 14, Map 134 Lots 16,40,41, and 61, Map 62 Lot 100. RC, RB, and GI Zones Zone. Ward 4.

Present: Tom Zajac from Hayner Swanson Inc, Bernie Plante from Blaylock Holdings, Michael Devin from Thorndike Development, Brendan Quigley from Gove Environmental.

Discussion included redevelopment of the site. Fairy shrimp were seen in vernal pools, and Wetland C was not very functional.

The Commission scheduled a site walk on May 16, 2023, at 5:15 PM at the end of Fairmount St.

G. NCC Correspondence & Communications

None

H. Commissioners Discussion

1. Natural Resources Inventory

The Commission replaced draft goals with goals from the original NRI. Ms. Chisholm said she would send the proposed edits to everyone for review.

2. Project List Updates

None

3. Joyce Park Sanctuary Updates

None

4. Beaver Dams

The Commission discussed the Buckmeadow beaver dam at Cold Brook, which was removed. Ms. Chisholm said she will contact the lowest bidding beaver removal contractor.

I. Subcommittee Reports

- **Digital Marketing:** Commissioner Cook led a brief discussion regarding a marketing budget.

J. Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn by [Unknown] at 9:15 PM

SECONDED by [Unknown]

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

KP - Taped Hearing

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