# CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACTION SHEET

## 1 JUNKINS AVENUE PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE ROOM "A"

3:30 p.m. March 11, 2020

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Steve Miller; Vice Chairman MaryAnn Blanchard;

Members: Barbara McMillan, Adrianne Harrison, Allison Tanner,

Jessica Blasko, and Alternate: Joseph O'Neill

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Samantha Collins

**ALSO PRESENT:** Peter Britz, Environmental Planner/Sustainability Coordinator

#### I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 12, 2020

The Commission voted to approve the minutes as amended.

#### II. STATE WETLAND BUREAU APPLICATIONS

Standard, Dredge, and Fill Application

 Banfield Road
 Maud Hett Revocable Trust, Walter D. Hett Trustee, owner
 Assessor Map 256, Lot 2

After due deliberation, the Commission voted (6-0) to recommend **denial** to the State Wetlands Bureau for the following reason(s): The Commission does not believe this is the least impacting alternative for this project. The Commission had concerns related to the hydrology of the site including potential flooding due to increased flows in the wetland. In addition, this project includes significant deforestation and roadway and home construction which will lead to impacts to existing wildlife corridors. Finally, the amount of new impervious surfaces will create impacts to wetland functions and values.

### III. OTHER BUSINESS

Peter Britz discussed recent changes to Article 10 of the Zoning Ordinance- Environmental Protection Standards- Sections: 10.17.22, 10.17.24, 10.17.25, and 10.18.30.

Peter Britz informed the Commission of an April 1, 2020 Site Walk for property located at 105 Bartlett Street and confirmed a Work Session Meeting on Thursday March 26, 2020 for The North Mill Pond Trail City project.

Vice Chair MaryAnn Blanchard announced Steve Miller's Retirement from the Conservation Commission. There will be a farewell party to be held on Wednesday April 8, 2020 at 2:30pm, in the Portsmouth Room at City Hall.

No formal action was required by the Commission.

## IV. ADJOURNMENT

At 4:30pm, the Commission voted to adjourn the meeting.