June 25, 2019

City of Portsmouth Environmental Conservation Commission/Planning Board
1 Junkins Avenue
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Re: Conditional Use Permit Request
210 F. W. Hartford Drive
Portsmouth, NH 03801

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to request a Wetlands Conditional Use Permit to move a peaked roof 8’ by 12’ shed that is currently located partially on my neighbor’s property onto my property. The shed is currently located on the side of our property towards 200 F.W. Hartford Drive but partially on the property of 200 F.W. Hartford Drive. Attached is a picture of the shed and a plan showing where the shed is proposed be located with setback distances from the neighboring property and wetlands.

According to the City of Portsmouth Ordinance, Article 10.1017.50 Criteria for Approval, the proposal shall comply with the following criteria:

1. The land is reasonably suited for the use, activity of alteration.

The area where the shed is to be located is a dry, dirt area that does not grow grass or any vegetation very well due to a lack of sunlight and water. It is a good location for the shed.

2. There is no location outside the wetland buffer that is feasible and reasonable for the proposed use, activity, or alteration.

The area where the shed is to be located is as far away from the wetland as is possible while still giving the proper setbacks from the neighbor’s property. The proposed area is located on the edge of the buffer zone. There is no other area on the side or rear of the house that provides the proper setbacks without being in the buffer zone.

3. There will be no adverse impact on the wetland functional values of the site or surrounding properties.

The shed will be raised on blocks with a stone base that will extend beyond the footprint of the shed for infiltration of rain water. There will be no adverse impact on the wetland functional values of the site or surrounding properties.

4. Alteration of the natural vegetative state or managed woodland will occur only to the extent necessary to achieve construction goals.
The proposed site for the shed has very little grass or growth at all on it because it is a dark dry spot where the sun is blocked by our house most hours of the day, so there should be little or no alteration of the natural vegetative state.

5. The proposal is the alternative with the least adverse impact to areas and environments under the jurisdiction of this Section.

The proposed site for the shed provides the best site to have little to no impact on the wetlands or buffer zone.

6. Any area within the vegetative buffer strip will be returned to a natural state to the extent feasible.

The proposed site has little to no vegetation where the shed will be placed so it should have no effect on the vegetative buffer strip.

Please feel free to contact us via email at jaymayuski@hotmail.com should you have any concerns regarding this application.

Sincerely,

Jay & Audra Mayuski
Owners, 210 F.W. Hartford Drive