



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



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Motion to Recommend a Wetlands Special Exception

Date: August 14, 2017

Case: Ronald J. & Johanna M. Sousa
21 Frenette Road
Hudson, New Hampshire
Map 168, Lot 101 Zone R2

Description of work to be performed: Raze the existing single-family home, foundation and pool. Excavate for a new foundation and build a new home on the property. The new foundation and home will be located on the site to meet town front and side setbacks requirements. An existing utility shed onsite will also be moved towards the rear of the lot. Total permanent wetland buffer impact being proposed is approximately 790 square feet.

Members Present: Ken Dickinson, William Collins, Michael Tsu, Raimundo Matos, Elliott Veloso and Randy Brownrigg

Conservation Members Stepping Down: None

Alternates Seated: Brett Gagnon

The wetland in question is located approximately eighty feet from Frenette Road and runs east to west across the property. It was described as a “no value/ low functioning 6ft. wide storm-water runoff swale” which handles snow melt and storm-water runoff on the property. There is no evidence of ponding or that water flows into or out of this swale to offsite sources. After thorough questioning by commission members and expert testimony by Bruce A. Gilday of BAG Land Consultants (Certified Wetland Scientist for the State of New Hampshire) along with input from the town engineer, HCC members present were satisfied that an incursion of a new foundation and house built in the outer edge of the wetland buffer would have no detrimental effects on the function of the swale to dissipate storm-water runoff. It was unanimously decided to recommend that the Wetlands Special Exception Application filed by Ronald J. & Johanna M. Sousa of 21 Frenette Road for the permanent wetlands buffer impact of approximately 790 square feet be excepted with the following stipulations.

1. Construction and restoration shall comply with: BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO CONTROL NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION: A GUIDE FOR CITIZENS AND TOWN OFFICIALS (NH Department of Environmental Services-Current Issue.)

2. During construction and restoration erosion control barriers shall be installed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer.

Motion By: William Collins

Second By: Randy Brownrigg

Vote: Favorable with Conditions: 7 Unfavorable: 0 Abstaining: 0

Dissent Reason(s): None

Approved,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken Dickinson".

Ken Dickinson, Chairman