TOWN OF YORKTOWN CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 6, 2022

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Board Members Present: Co-Chair Diane Dreier, Co-Chair Phyllis Bock, Peter Alduino, Robert

Waterhouse, Patrick François, Kim Hughes - Secretary

Board Members Absent: Justin Pruyne **Guests:** Jim Martorano Jr., Gregg Chappelle

Diane Dreier called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The meeting took place via Zoom Conference Call.

Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting: Done

Communications Received: DEC Community Forest Conservation Grant Yorktown Community Forest Conservation

Chair Persons Report: None

Reports from Other Committees: None

1. Par 3 Golf Course Rout 6 Jefferson Valley

Landscape and Mitigation Plan Contact: Jim Martorano Jr., Planning Board Referral

The Conservation Board discussed Par 3 Golf Course Planting and Mitigation Plan with Jim Martorano, Yorktown Parks and Recreation Superintendent. The landscape plan submitted is incomplete. The applicant should submit a complete planting schedule including the size, number and scientific and common name of the trees and perennials to be installed. Staging of the work should be provided. The applicant is advised to use a mix of native hardwoods and evergreens, to provide visual interest, and increase the habitat for wildlife. Along the riparian corridor the plans show exclusive use of tall fescue, *festuca arundinacea*, as planting material. Tall fescue is listed as an invasive species by the US Forest Service. We advise that the applicant select native species suitable for stream and pond edges as an alternative; as these will help stabilize the banks, provide flood abatement, and habitat for wildlife. Suggestions include native sedges, grasses, and shrubs such as fox sedge, bulrush, pickerel weed, cardinal flower, blue flag iris, buttonbush, red osier dogwood.

2. Lakeview Estates Lot 6: 1102 Gambelli Drive

Subdivision Site and Mitigation Plan

Contact: Gregg Chappelle, TJ Engineering

Planning Board Referral

The Board reviewed site plans for new construction of a single family house at 1102 Gambelli Drive in Lakeview Estates with the applicant Gregg Chappelle. The house is sited partially within the wetland buffer and conservation easement. A site visit with the Planning Board is scheduled for 4/23/2020.

DISCUSSION

Proposed Local Law Amending Chapter 300 regarding Electrical Vehicle Charging Stations.
 The Conservation Board discussed the amendment of Local Law entitled Electric Vehicle

Charging Stations. The Conservation Board supports the installation of charging stations in appropriate areas of town, for the use of EV owners. The size proposed of the EV Charging Stations are out of character for our town and would result in visual pollution if sited in multiples at any one location. The placement of the EV charging station screens should be limited so that no more than two of the screens will be visible from any given point of view.

DEC Community Forest Conservation Grant Yorktown Community Forest Conservation Project
The Board is in favor of supporting this grant and will write a memo stating such.
 The Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm with a motion from Diane Dreier and second from Pat Francois