Minutes of a Conservation Commission Meeting – 10 April 2013

Members present: Peter Vincent – Chairman, Edith Potter, Christina Brown, Stuart Lollis, Jeff Carlson, Lil Province

Absent: Bob Avakian

Staff: Jane Varkonda

Abbrecht: Repair boat house and expand beach deck – Golf Club Road. Claudia Noury-Ello representing applicant. A concrete block wall also needs to be repaired. No change in the footprint of the boat house is proposed. After some further discussion the Commission voted to continue the hearing until 1 May for a site visit.

Hegarty: Swimming pool & related site work – Garden Cove Road.

Richard Barbini & Mike Hegarty made the presentation. Pool will be located in zone two of the Ponds District. Pool will be located in an area that is currently lawn. A salt cartridge filtration system is proposed. Pool will be between 7 and 8-feet deep – Groundwater is at 4-feet. Pool will be in groundwater 1 to 2 feet. Province made a motion to approve the project. Potter seconded. Unanimously approved with the following conditions: Construction will take place at low pond, any water pumped during construction is to be retained on site, a cross-section to be submitted.

Israel: Replace existing garage with a garage/guest house – Starbuck Neck. Richard Barbini representing applicant. Proposal involves tearing down the existing garage and rebuilding with apartment above. Barbini commented that all the neighbors in the area have been coming in with similar projects. Vincent asked if the structure will block the view of the harbor from the public walkway. Barbini replied that it would not. Brown made a motion to approve the project as presented. Potter seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Job's Neck Farm (aka 3 Otters): Construction of new single-family residence & related – off Pohogonot Road. Joanne Gosser representing applicant. Site is 25-acres. New plans dated 26 March 13 were submitted, which include habitat protection and enhancement and move the house location further back from the resource area. The proposed house is basically one story, with one 850 s.f. second floor section. Total footprint is 9600 s.f. Gosser explained some of the annotations on the plan: the yellow lines indicate deed restrictions, and the green lines indicate NHESP restrictions. After some further discussion the hearing was continued to 1 May in order to schedule a site visit.

Felix Neck: Selective removal of invasive vegetation and view clearing. [Province abstaining] Phil Hunsaker representing Felix Neck. Proposal involves the manual clearing of invasives from a 1 ½ acre portion of the property. Brown asked for a more detailed list of plants to be removed and a revised site plan. Brown made a motion to

approve the project as presented, with the above conditions. Lollis seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by those voting.

Felix Neck. Request for determination to install three temporary 2'x3' shorebird education signs at Sylvia State Beach (1) and Cow Bay (2). Phil Hunsaker for Felix Neck. One sign will be located at Bend-in-the-Road, one at the first cabana, and one at the Big Bridge. Lollis made a motion to issue a negative determination. Carlson seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by all those voting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Revisions/additions were made to the Schifter order of conditions.

A request from the MV Animal Shelter to use the Mini-Park during Pink & Green weekend in conjunction with the Board of Trade was approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.
