



City of Rochester Conservation Commission
Site Walk Meeting Minutes
Saturday November 19, 2022
60 Shaw Drive, Map 240 Lot 49
(These minutes were approved on - , 2022)

Attendance

Presence	Commission Member	Notes	Members of the Public
Present	Mike Dionne, <i>Chair</i>		Packy Campbell GNM Solar 17
Present	Kevin Sullivan, <i>Vice Chair</i>		Scott Lawler Norway Plains Associates, Inc
Present	Mark Jennings		Damon Burt Fraggie Rock Environmental
-	Mike Kirwan		Bill Libby
-	Merry Lineweber		
Present	Dan Nickerson		
-	Barbara Soley		
Present	Renée McIsaac, <i>Planner I</i>		
-	Ryan O'Connor, <i>Senior Planner</i>		

I. Call to Order:

The meeting came to order at 9am.

II. Conservation Overlay District Site Walk:

GNM Solar 17, LLC; 60 Shaw Drive - Tax Map 240, Lot 49

Review of site for proposed solar tracker installation project.

An overview of the project was presented by Packy Campbell of GNM Solar 17 and Scott Lawler of Norway Plains Associates, Inc. It was explained that the tracker placement would be outside of the wetland buffers and a conditional use permit was needed for the upgrades to the Class VI road that crosses the wetlands.

Packy Campbell stated that he has an agreement with Standard Power, which is an energy supplier group host, which allows for potential energy offsets to entities such as the Rochester School District. He indicated that he is considering subdividing a portion of the lot not included in the solar development for potential residential development, although no plans have been submitted. At this point he does not have a clear idea of how the blueberries will be harvested and sold.

Concerns were raised over the logging that occurred at the site. Deep ruts from machinery were present in areas of the site. Wetlands were not flagged prior to timber harvest. Per Packy Campbell the appropriate state agencies have been notified of the issue and steps will be taken to address it.

Kevin Sullivan stated he would like to see a management plan for maintenance of the site. He is also interested in attending a site walk when David Price of the NHDES Wetlands Bureau visits the site.

The conditional use application will be reviewed at the next Conservation Commission meeting on November 30th.

III. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24am.

Respectfully submitted,
Renee McIsaac
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