

Planning Board
May 24, 2015
Site walk

Members Present: Barry Hantman-Chairman, Chip Current, Haeyoon Jacobus, Josh Horns, Roger Whithouse, Janet Denison-clerk

Others Present: Charlie Zilch

Board members and Charlie Zilch met at the Hoyt gravel pit, known as Tax Map and Lot 4-28.

Plans were provided and the two-lot subdivision was briefly described though this site walk was pertaining to the gravel pit excavation renewal and not the subdivision. Several things were pointed out from the vantage point of where the group was standing near the powerlines and the entrance to the gravel pit. This included the approximate location of the two proposed lots, the right-of-way near Clydesdale Drive, and the area to be used as the pond. Mr. Zilch said the reclamation plan will take 14-16 years to accomplish. The orange safety fence could be seen through the vegetation on the western edge of the property.

The group walked to the site where the pond will be located. Mr. Zilch said a roadway will be made around the rim of the water; a mild slope will be made into the water which will be about 20' deep.

Excess material from the pit will be used to stabilize the slope. Test pits under the powerlines indicate there is not a lot of material there. Excavation will be limited under the powerlines also due to the need to keep the poles stable. The plan has been sent to PSNH/Eversource. If the powerlines will be expanded, the restoration plan may need to be revised.

An overdig was observed on the east and west borders. Mr. Zilch explained that some of that was done by MDR Corporation which was then partially perpetuated by Mr. Hoyt. It was noted the setbacks were different years ago. The eastern edge may be problematic. It was estimated to be greater than a 3:1 slope which will need to be corrected.

There is a large pile of detritus near the eastern portion of the property. Mr. Zilch said it's been there a long time. Tree trunks, limbs, and some refuse were obviously part of this pile.

The main observations from this walk include a restoration of the eastern edge of the property and adding additional power poles to the plans.

The Board agreed to meet on the following dates: June 11, June 25, July 23, and August 27. Other meetings may be added as necessary.

Respectfully submitted
Janet S. Denison