

## Burlington Conservation Board

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## Conservation Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 1, 2021 – 5:30 pm

645 Pine Street, Main Conference Room and remote access

### Attendance

- **Board Members:** Zoe Richards (ZR), Rebecca Roman (RR), Ryan Crehan (RC), Miles Waite (MW), Hannah Brislin (HB), Elizabeth Cunningham (EC)
- **Absent:** Jules Lees (JL), Caryn Connolly (CC), Don Meals (DM)
- **Public:** Taj Schottland, Sharon Bushor, Kate Krusei, Rem Kielman, Charlie Schmidt, Dunbar Oehmig, Keith Wagner, Laura McCurdy
- **Staff:** Scott Gustin (Permitting & Inspections), Dan Cahill, Cindi Wight (Parks & Rec)

ZR, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Board members introduced themselves to new student member, Elizabeth Cunningham.

### Minutes

A MOTION was made by MW and SECONDED by RR:

Adopt the minutes of October 4 as written.

Vote: 5-0-0

### Board Comment

MW noted SRS contacted him about work in the urban reserve and asked if he has any old reports on the Astroline site. He noted that there is a section with petroleum issues. Clean up was done in the 1990's. RC mentioned it's related to the possible removal of some of the lakeshore sheet piling.

SG noted he submitted the ARPA grant application for the Riverside Avenue properties with slope problems. He also noted the online ARPA survey on the city's homepage.

ZR mentioned the Barge Canal site visit coming up this Thursday.

RR said the NNECAPA conference went well. Folks working on the Open Space Plan Addendum hosted a mobile workshop related to ongoing efforts involving nature based climate solutions.

### Public Comment

None.

### Update & Discussion

#### 1. Ecosystem Services

Trust for Public Land guest discussion with Taj Schotland

Taj Schotland lead a presentation of nature based climate solutions and the Urban Drawdown Initiative (UDI). Included in the Board's online packet.

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**Project Review**

- 1. ZP-21-541; 410 Appletree Point Rd (Ward 4N, RL-W) Schmidt / McCurdy**  
Demolish residence and construct new home within lakefront parcel.

Rem Kielman, Charlie Schmidt, Dunbar Oehmig, Keith Wagner, and Laura McCurdy appeared on behalf of the application.

Charlie Schmidt overviewed the project. It is a seasonal camp tear down and replacement with a year-round single family home. The new building will be set back further from the lakeshore than the existing structure. A new "low mow" zone will be established along the lakeshore.

Dunbar Oehmig asked if the BCB has concerns with the construction schedule. He said initial plans were to start in November. Now it's looking more like December. He overviewed the proposed erosion control measures to control runoff and siltation. Limited tree removal is included. Winter construction standards will apply. MW noted that the soil stockpile will need to be stabilized during construction. He noted city stormwater program will need to review and approve the EPSC plan.

MW asked if this is onsite septic or municipal sewer. Mr. Oehmig said it's presently on septic. The city sewer runs nearby. The plan is to connect to the city sewer via a force main. MW concurred that would be preferable.

RC asked if the existing cottage has a basement. Mr. Oehmig said it does have a shallow basement. It would be removed and filled in.

ZR, can someone describe the landscaping plan? Keith Wagner overviewed it. Mr. Wagner said new fruit trees are proposed out front. To the south will be a ground cover with an oak tree intended to be large. The lakeshore is largely a "low mow" zone. All of the proposed shrubs and ground cover will be native species. Raised planters are proposed to the north end of the site. Most of the existing trees will be retained. Any dead or diseased trees will be removed. Others will be retained.

MW asked about setbacks. SG noted the front yard average is moot with the 50' maximum.

A MOTION made by MW and SECONDED by RR:

Recommend approval of the application as presented.

Vote: 5-0-0

**Adjournment**

7:02 PM.