These minutes were approved at the June 28, 2021 meeting.

## Site Walk Minutes <u>190 Piscataqua Road</u> February 5, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.

## **Conservation Commission**

Sally Needell, chair
Jake Kritzer
John Nachilly
Roanne Robbins
Walter Rous
Michael Behrendt, Town Planner

## **Applicant**

Tom Daly
Erin Daly
Suzanne Brunelle, Attorney
Eric Buck, Landscape Architect

## **Neighbor**

John Leland

Eric Buck led the group around the site. The buildable area was marked, as were the corners of the proposed house and of the deck. The wetland was flagged. He said that the extent of building located in the wetland and shoreland overlay districts is being reduced.

There would be some cuts in front of the deck to meet the grade with a retaining wall around 4-feet high built on the water side of the deck. Some drainage structures would be built under the deck.

Mr. Buck said that the applicant would plant grasses that are environmentally friendly. He said they would be willing to plant some trees to help buffer the view from the bay. A number of ash trees on site would need to be removed due to emerald ash borer. There is one large ash tree near the bay they hope to save if they remove the other ash trees. They will enhance plantings in the vegetated area at the margin.

Mr. Buck said the soil is somewhat clayey with ledge in places.

Mr. Buck said they are removing a number of structures and two leach fields. He said they will install a new environmentally friendly leach field further from the bay.

There were several questions and comments from Conservation Commission members. Walter said the footprint of the project is quite large and asked if it could be reduced. Mr. Buck said they will look at that. He said they don't want to reduce the house but could look at reducing the deck and parking area some.

There will be a retaining wall along the edge of the circular driveway near a wooded area that contains the wetland. Mr. Buck said they have a minimum turning radius there but could look at ways to reduce the driveway.

The meeting adjourned around 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted. Michael Behrendt, Town Planner