



Date: July 25, 2016

Time: 6:00 PM

Site Visit to Claremont Speedway

Approved 8/18/2016

Present: Gary Dickerman, Steve Wood, Dianne Harlow, Scott Magnuson

The Claremont Conservation Commission was invited to attend the Site Visit to the Claremont Speedway for the variance of the property to include a campground, with the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Participants were encouraged to look over the map and the area where the campground is planned so that discussion could continue at the Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup> Zoning Board meeting.

The Conservation Commission members looked over the map provided and walked over to the Eastern side of the property that abuts the Stevens Brook Easement. They observed the retention area and mud pit area that is adjacent to the Easement boundary. The edge of the retention area is 242.5' from the Stevens Brook Easement according to the Claremont GIS Mapping program. There is an earth berm between the retention pond and the Easement boundary. The rest of the Easement boundary falls along the upper part of the parking area.

We spoke with the Architect who walked over to the retention pond area and explained that any run off from the parking area goes into a drainage ditch that empties into the mud pit area which is adjacent to the retention area. He advised us that there will still be a study done on the water run off as part of the Planning Board process.

While the Zoning Board group went to look at the driveway change, we spoke with Jim Ambrose and Phil Hayes, the owners of the property, Mr. Hayes indicated that he has walked the boundaries to the Stevens Brook Easement and indicated that he had not seen any culverts or flowing water other than the brook on the Easement property. He indicated that he had found some "trash" near the Easement, (Model A era) and that he would be willing to help us clean it up.

We spoke about the possibility of putting in walking, hiking trails in the Easement area that might also be used by the seasonal campers on the site. This idea was liked by all parties present.

The Conservation Commission members are satisfied that the Stevens Brook Easement should not be affected by the installation and operation of the camp ground.

Submitted by,

Dianne M. Harlow

Chairperson