

Charlemont Conservation Commission Minutes  
Charlemont Town Hall  
September 6, 2017

Present: Doug Telling, Rob Lingle, Bill Harker, Tom Shields

Absent: Doug Johnson

Guests: Kathe Gest, Steven Steinbach, Melissa Coady

Called to order at 6:30 pm

1. Harker moved and Shields seconded a motion to approve the minutes of August 2. Approved 4-0

2. Turned to the RDA by Gest and Steinbach's RDA for a generator. They plan on installing a generator which will be in a buffer zone. The generator will be raised on a platform. The impact on the resource area will be minimal. The height will not exceed 48 inches. At 82 8A North.

Harker moved and Telling seconded a motion for a negative determination #2 Passed 4-0.

6:30 resumed the hearing for Berkshire East's NOI.

Harker has been a subcontractor at Berkshire East but has no financial interest in this project.

Coady noted that this is for using a pond for snow making. Falls under the Wetlands Protection Act. The area is 35,000 square feet and is a pond. In the act of making snow, little water is lost. The pipes drain back to the pond and the melted snow drains into the drainage area/

Water Management Act permit in the past and an application for renewal is under review. Until that review is completed, the earlier permit remains in force. She said that the OOC should include the Water Management permit by reference. 2012 DEP regulated recreational water withdrawal to 105 days of snow making from November to March.

Further, Berkshire East requests that the permit run for five years.

Lingle moved and Telling seconded that the hearing be closed. Approved 4-0

Shields moved to approve the NOI with the special condition that the OOC include the Water Management permit by reference and that it is good for five years. Seconded by Harker. Approved 4-0.

Harker moved and Telling seconded a motion to adjourn. Passed 4-0

Adjourned at 6:55 pm

The minutes are not official until signed.

Documents Reviewed  
9/6/17

Agenda 9/6/17  
Minutes 8/2/17  
RDA for Kathe Geist and Steven Steinbach  
Berkshire East NOI  
2 DEP letters