

**TOWN OF WOLFEBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DREDGE & FILL MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES
April 29, 2022**

Site Visit at 8 Hodge Shore Road South, Wolfeboro.

Chair Lenore Clark opened the meeting at 3:00 pm.

Members Present: Lenore Clark, Chair, Dan Coons, Vice-Chair, Jeff Marchand, Members.

**Sean and Wendy O'Brien
Tax Map #164-9
8 Hodge Shore Road South, Lake Wentworth
Standard Dredge & Fill**

The applicant proposes to construct a gravel driveway with three wetland crossings to access a proposed barn and install pumplines for proposed leach field for two existing shorefront houses.

The Commission noted that there are two existing houses on the project site as shown on the plan drawings, and the proposed barn is an accessory structure rather than a primary dwelling structure. Members of the Commission walked the area where the proposed access driveway would be placed and noted that although there are no vernal pools in the project location, there is one immediately adjacent to the existing driveway/road, roughly 100 feet or so from the project site (see accompanying photos). This was confirmed by observation of an amphibian egg mass. Any construction work that is permitted should account for protection of the vernal pool. As the Commission walked into the woods the members observed a Wentworth Watershed Association tree tag but suspect it may have been inadvertently placed on the O'Brien's land. Regarding the length of the proposed driveway, it would be less impacting to build the barn in the upland area identified on the plan drawings between the first and second wetland crossings, over what is now an existing leach field that is slated to be decommissioned. That would negate the need for two out of the three proposed crossings. The Commission has no objection to the proposed location of the new leach field on the abutting upland property. The Commission feels that if the pump lines were buried without having a dirt road constructed over them, the ecosystem would eventually have a chance to recover, and would minimize impervious surface area on a lakefront property.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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