Minutes
Norfolk Conservation Commission
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Special Meeting
Zoom Video Meeting
8/28/23

Present: Susannah Wood, Shelley Harms, John Anderson, Nash Pradhan, Bill Ticineto.

Public Guest: None.

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Special Meeting Topic: Impact of the proposed Firehouse on the City Meadow

Libby, John, Susannah, and Nash attended a meeting about the City Meadow management plans with Matt Riiska and Joe Hurst of the Norfolk Foundation, Doreen Kelly and from the Community Association and Walter Godlewski representing the Comm. Association at which Matt Riiska stated that the footprint of the new firehouse plan will not impinge on the City Meadow area shown as an L on the map though it will come very close to the line of the path into the meadow from Shepard Rd.

A clarification was made regarding the Firehouse plan that had been highlighted by NCC member Bill Ticineto. The yellow outlined area was incorrectly labeled as land to be given to the Firehouse. A corrected highlighted plan is attached (Firehouse site plan(1,3)proposed).

NCC to submit a letter regarding concerns/questions of the new

Firehouse: Paved permeable surface area

Storm run-off storage and filtering

Chemical run-off separation

Vegetation buffer

Use of "bird safe" glass

Can the structure be less impactful on the wetlands

Flag boundaries of structures and wetlands

NCC input to native planting plan

Segregate planting budget to separate account

Use of solar to offset energy requirements

Possible removal of old shed, replace with veg. buffer

Susannah will contact Mike and Hartley prior to the September 5th public hearing to see if this is the only chance to submit comments. She will also ask Matt about marking the wetland areas with tape before the hearing.

The public hearing meeting to discuss the firehouse is set for September 5th, Tuesday 7:00.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Next regular meeting 09/11/2023 Submitted by Bill Ticineto