

RYE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Site Walk Minutes

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Meeting was called to order by Chair King at 4:30 pm

RCC members present at all site walks: Chair King, Vice Chair Suzanne McFarland, Members Jeff Gardner, Susan Shepcaro, Heather Reed and Mike Garvan.

4:30 pm: 3 Willow Lane, Tax Map 17.4 Lot 29

Present: Susan Faretra, Faretra Septic Design, LLC representing the owner.

The Rye Conservation Commission (RCC) conducted a site walk at 3 Willow Lane to evaluate a proposed septic system on the property. The lot currently has a 2,000 gallon holding tank for waste water and a smaller tank for grey water. These are pumped periodically as necessary. The tanks are within the 100 foot tidal buffer. The proposed septic would be a two compartment septic which treats nitrogen. The effluent will be pumped around the corner to a raised leach field which would be out of the 100 foot tidal buffer.

The new system would be an improvement over the existing tanks. The commission members expressed concern that the construction would disturb the steep bank that extends to the wetland border. There are two maples on the bank and every effort should be made to preserve them. If either of the two maples that are on the bank have to be removed, the owner should replace them with similar native trees to help stabilize the bank. The construction will disturb much of the buffer. To mitigate this and provide some erosion protection, the owner should plant a native ground cover on top of the bank and on the slope.

Motion to adjourn made by Member Gardner and seconded by Member McFarland. Motion passed.

Site walk meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis P. (Mike) Garvan II, Clerk