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| To: | Barrington Zoning Board of Adjustment |
| From: | Barrington Conservation Commission |
| Subject: | Case # 124-36-GR-16-ZBA Variance; Lombardo property, Hemlock Lane (Mendums Pond): Request by applicant to request variances from Article 11.2 (1) 75' setback from pond over 2 acres |
| Date | February 8, 2016 |

At its meeting of February 4, the Conservation Commission reviewed the case referenced above. Chris Berry from Berry surveying presented plans for the applicant, who wants to rebuild a retaining wall in front of the house and place two small decks on the sides of the house. Both of these impacts are within the 75' setback to Mendums Pond.

We found the proposed impacts to be reasonable, and support the application. Reconstruction of the wall appears to be necessary to allow the stabilization of the house itself, and the replacement of some impervious surfaces with porous pavers should result in an overall lessening of runoff into the lake.

Since the ground beneath the proposed decks is to be porous stone and gravel, they are unlikely to contribute to increased runoff. However, to help insure that this is the case, we request that the boards comprising the surface of the decks be spaced widely enough apart that water will readily flow between them under all conditions. Mr. Berry indicated that this would not be a problem.

Thank you for the opportunity to let us review these issues that can potentially affect the town's natural resources. If we can be of further service with this project please contact me via the Town Planning Office.

Respectfully,

John Wallace, Chairman