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APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE

TO: BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
CITY OF ROCHESTER

Phone No 332-6242

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CASE NO. 2016-25

DATE FILED 8-11-16

ZONING BOARD CLERK

Name of applicant Wissler Properties, LLC c/o Dwight Wissler

Address 20 Farmington Rd. Rochester, NH 03867

Wissler Properties LLC

Owner of property concerned c/o Dwight Wissler

(If the same as applicant, write "same")

Address SAME

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Location 18 Farmington Rd.

Map No. 216
221

Lot No. 001
162

Zone GRD

Description of property Volkswagen of Rochester

Proposed use or existing use affected Addition of 7,000 square foot paved parking area

(pervious pavement) to replace an existing gravel parking lot.

The undersigned hereby requests a variance to the terms of Article 42.12,
Section h2 and asked that said terms be waived to permit to allow the use of a parking
lot in the conservation overlay district.

If applicable in this case, the undersigned also requests a waiver from the requirement to provide a certified plot plan, (see attached request sheet) Yes _____ No _____

The undersigned alleges that the following circumstances exist which prevent the proper enjoyment of his land under the strict terms of the Zoning Ordinance and thus constitute grounds for a variance.

Signed _____


(Applicant)

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Date: 8-10-16

A Variance is requested by Wissler Properties, LLC c/o Dwight Wissler

from Section 42.12 Subsection h2

of the Zoning Ordinance to permit: To allow the use of a parking lot in the conservation overlay district.

at Volkswagen of Rochester Map 216 221 001 Lot 162 Zone GRD

Facts supporting this request:

- 1) The proposed use would not diminish surrounding property values because: The abutting land to the north is a commercial property and is currently under construction for expansion. The existing parking lot being rehabilitated to a porous pavement infiltration system for parking will include the addition of vegetation for buffering purposes. Downstream impacts will be protected by the porous pavement proposed.
- 2) Granting the variance is not contrary to the public interest because: When the existing gravel parking lot was constructed the curb cut for Lot 162, Tax Map 221 was temporarily suspended. The continued connect to Lot 1 Tax Map 216 for the improved parking and access to the remaining land and not re-opening the access point is in the public's interest. The porous pavement lot is in the public interest for environmental safety and downstream protection.
- 3.) Denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship to the owner because of the following special circumstances of the property: Wissler Properties, LLC own both parcels Lot 162, Tax Map 221 and Lot 1, Tax Map 216. The access to Lot 162 is impacted to the point that the entire width is cut off by the buffer from the co-district. Common ownership and continued use and expansion of the parking is critical to the owners thus becoming a hardship driven by the characteristics of the land; i.e. the location of the wetlands and resulting buffer.
- 4.) Granting the variance would do substantial justice because: The proposal before the Planning Board a part of the site plan review application is to remove a compacted gravel and crushed stone parking lot and rehabilitate this situation with parking in the form of a porous pavement infiltration system. This system treats surface water runoff from not only the new pavement but also pavement existing on site.
- 5.) The use is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance because: See Attached

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42.12 h2 Variance Application Cont. - Tax Maps 216 & 221 Lots 001 & 162

5.) The use is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance because:

It is presumed that parking is not allowed within the wetland buffer because of the introduction of impervious surface and potential adverse impacts that could result. With a porous asphalt pavement surface and infiltration bed, the impervious surface is now replaced with a pervious surface. In addition, the aggregate layers within the infiltration bed filter the runoff prior to contact with the natural ground and infiltration. The runoff from the system is self-contained and cleaned.

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City of Rochester Zoning Board of Adjustment
31 Wakefield Street
Rochester, NH 03867

RE: Proposed Site Plan, Wissler Properties, LLC
Tax Map 216, Lot 1 & Tax Map 221, Lot 162

Variance Request – 42.8 C – To allow Pavement in the Setback

Variance Request – 42.12 h.2 – To allow parking in the CO District

Variance Request – 42.12 h.2.H – To allow Land Disturbance within 25 Feet of
the Wetland Edge

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Rochester Zoning Board of Adjustment,

**Pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance standards the following variances
are hereby requested to Article 42.8.C to allow pavement within the 5-foot
side pavement setback within the Granite Ridge District (GRD), Article 42.12
h.2 to allow parking within the Conservation Overlay District, and Article
42.12 h.2.H to allow ground disturbance within the 25-foot no-disturbance
buffer of a wetland.**

Wissler Properties, LLC is the land owner for two abutting properties, Lot 1, Tax Map 216 and Lot 162, Tax Map 221. Wissler Auto Group, LLC operates (DBA) Volkswagen of Rochester which has historically been located on Lot 1, previously owned by Beranger Realty, Inc. and operated the previous business Beranger Volkswagen. In January of 2014, Wissler Properties, LLC purchased the second parcel, Lot 162, with the intent of expanding the business. Wissler Properties, LLC received a minor site plan review to park up to 10 cars on a gravel parking lot primarily on Lot 162.

At the present time, Wissler Properties, LLC has submitted an application for Major Site Plan Review to the Planning Board in which they are requesting to pave the parking area with porous asphalt pavement and create an infiltration bed. In completing this they will be removing a compacted gravel and crushed stone parking lot. They are also requesting to install lights for operations and safety.

The following three variance requests are explained in detail.

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Zoning Board of Adjustment Narrative
Wissler Properties, LLC, NH Route 11, Farmington Road

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Thank you for your time and attention to this matter and we hope you look favorably upon the request.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kenneth A. Berry, PE, LLS
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Principal, VP – Technical Operations

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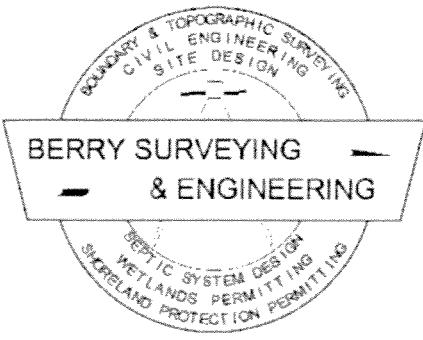
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Owners of Record

Tax Map 216, Lot 001
Tax Map 221, Lot 162

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Rochester, NH 03867-4304
Book 4009, Page 573
Book 4193, Page 444

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Tax Map 216, Lots 002

David S Thayer
22 Farmington Rd
Rochester, NH 03867-4304
Book 4152, Page 849

Tax Map 216, Lot 028

Miles N. Cook, III
Rochester Motorsports
23 Farmington Rd.
Rochester, NH 03867
Book 3379, Page 464

Tax Map 216, Lot 029

21 Farmington Rd LLC
549 US Highway 1 BYP
Portsmouth, NH 03801-4131
Book 4248, Page 628

Tax Map 221, Lot 069

Stephen J & Barbara J Hughes
25 Capitol Cir
Rochester, NH 03867-4334
Book 4149, Page 358

Tax Map 221, Lot 070

Douglas L Brochu
23 Capitol Cir
Rochester, NH 03867-4334
Book 4126, Page 811

Tax Map 221, Lot 071

Patrick R & Nancy K OConnor
21 Capitol Cir
Rochester, NH 03867-4334
Book 1666, Page 509

Tax Map 221, Lot 156

Tax Map 221, Lot 157
Tax Map 221, Lot 158

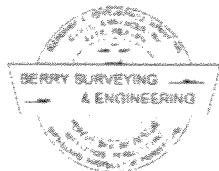
Rene G & Louanne E Cardinal
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Book 3951, Page 517
Book 4328, Page 128
Book 1566, Page 605

Tax Map 221, Lot 159

10 Farmington Road LLC
549 Route 1 By-Pass
Portsmouth, NH 03801
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Tax Map 221, Lot 160

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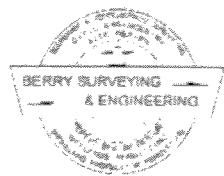
Tax Map 221, Lot 163

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