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From: "Fink, Keisha" <keisha.fink@newcanaanct.gov>
Subject: RE: Lighting violations - condition 67, 68, 69, 70, 71
Date: January 29, 2018 at 12:20:32 PM EST
To: 'Jennifer Holme' <holmejenn@gmail.com>
Cc: Ira Bloom <ibloom@berchemmoses.com>, "Goodwin, John" <john.goodwin@newcanaanct.gov>, Paul Ostling <paul.ostling@paulostling.com>, Danita Ostling <danita.ostling@gmail.com>, Dona Bissonnette <bissocurt@aol.com>, Jennifer Buczkiewicz <miskowiec@gmail.com>, Mike Buczkiewicz <buczkiewicz@gmail.com>

Mrs. Holme,

Please accept this as confirmation that your email has been received, and will be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Department.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank,

Keisha B. Fink
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From: Jennifer Holme <holmejenn@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2018 7:50 AM
To: Fink, Keisha
Cc: Ira Bloom; John Goodwin; Paul Ostling; Danita Ostling; Dona Bissonnette; Jennifer Buczkiewicz; Mike Buczkiewicz
Subject: Lighting violations - condition 67, 68, 69, 70, 71

Keisha,

Please find attached two instances in the past week (January 20 and 21st) where Grace Farms Foundation failed to comply with the lighting conditions of the 2017 special permit, specifically
operating conditions 67 thru 71. We would like to understand what enforcement actions the town has taken to date including a list of cited violations.

Regards,

Jennifer Holme and David Markatos
Thank you for your inquiry. I have forwarded it to my client, and we will respond as quickly as possible.

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Mr. O’Hanlan

Below please find a complaint received by the Planning and Zoning Department of an apparent violation of the Special Permit condition of approval #42 and #44. Please be reminded that the condition states:

42. Grace Farms Foundation shall implement the trail and signage plan as indicated on plans in Tab B of the application Binder entitled “Renewed Application for Second Amended Special Permit”, dated March 27, 2017 with the following specific modifications:
   • The “landscape map” (2 signs) shall only be installed at the locations shown and the design shall be subject to approval by the Town Planner before fabrication / installation to ensure that it reflects the trail configuration approved by the PZC
   • The “stay on marked trail” signs (3 signs) shall only be installed at the locations shown and the most northeasterly such sign shall be relocated to the inside of the curve of the trail leading back to the Sanctuary
   • The “guided nature tour route” signs (4 signs) shall be rephrased to read “guided nature trail route ONLY” and such signs shall only be installed where shown
   • No additional or alternative trail signs shall be installed without the approval of the Town Planner and/or the PZC

44. Following the filing of the Special Permit on the land records, Grace Farms Foundation shall place and maintain “Closed to Public” or similar signs within the property where trails have been abandoned.

Please provide a written response to this alleged violation of condition #42 and #44 and any action being taken by the Foundation to adhere to the approved conditions.

Thank you,

Keisha B. Fink
Acting Town Planner
Keisha, good afternoon,

Jennifer and I wanted to report that at approximately 4:30pm this afternoon, a teenager was found fishing in the pond that abuts our property — in an area that is supposed to be designated as an off-limits buffer zone per Condition 41 of the October 2017 special permit.

We would request that you revisit with the Foundation the signage required per Conditions No. 42 and 44, as what has been installed to date is not working to maintain the stipulated buffer zone. We would appreciate understanding how the Foundation intends to address this incident.

Regards, David