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March 19, 2024

Mr. Galen L. Weibley Director of Planning and Development Town of Kennebunkport 6 Elm Street Kennebunkport, ME 04046

# **<u>RE:</u>** Site Plan submittal for Goose Rocks Beach Association (GRBA), 19 Community House Way, Kennebunkport, MAINE.

Dear Mr. Weibley:

Please find attached, a complete copy of a Site Plan application and supporting documents for a proposed project located at 19 Community House Way. The project involves the construction of a new Pickle ball court, a portion of which, is contained within an existing 78' by 32' basketball court.

The new Pickle ball court will be approximately 60' by 32', half of which is existing (30' by 32') and the other half (30' by 32') will be constructed. A 5-foot section of the existing court will be removed to create the two new courts, namely a 43' by 32' half-basketball court and the new Pickle ball court (60' by 32').

The portion of the proposed pickleball court to be constructed (30' by 32'), which is entirely in the Goose Rocks zone, does not increase Lot Coverage as defined in the ordinance. Lot coverage in the GR zone is limited to buildings only, for which no increase in coverage is proposed. GRBA currently offers tennis, basketball and pickleball for outdoor sports leisure.

Sincerely,

Christopher V. Comi

Christopher J Coppi Coppi Environmental Consulting Wetland and Soil Scientist

#### APPLICATION FOR SITE PLAN REVIEW KENNEBUNKPORT PLANNING BOARD

Subject Property Location: 19 Community House Way
Zone <u>GRZ/SLZ</u> Tax Assessor's Map: 36 <u>Block: 1-1</u>
Lot: Shoreland: Yes Resource Protection: No
Lot Size 2 acres
Existing Use of Property Non-profit, community-based club offering recreation.
Proposed Use of Property: same
Type of Sewage Disposal: On-site subsurface wastewater disposal
None: 🔀 Private Septic: 🗌 Public Sewer: 🗌
Water Supplied by:
None: 🗌 Private Well: 🗌 Public KKWD: 🗙
Describe new structures, additions to existing structures and alterations proposed:
No new structures or additions to structures are proposed on the property. A new pickleball court (not a structure in the GR zone) utilizing a portion of an existing basketball court is proposed. Pickleball is currently being played on the existing courts. See cover letter for more detailed information.
Percentage of lot occupied by buildings:
Existing: <u>3.5 %</u> Proposed: <u>3.5 %</u>
Percentage of lot occupied by other impervious (parking, walkways, etc):
Existing:38.6 % Proposed:39.7
Exterior footprint of existing or proposed structure:
Existing: N/A Proposed: N/A

Interior Square Footage:

Existing: <u>N/A</u>		Proposed: _	N/A
If volume expansion, inter	rior volume:		
Existing:	N/A	Proposed:	N/A
Details on easements or o agreements.	other restrictions of	n the property.	. Attach deeds and/ or
Applicant; Owner of Reco	rd:		
Name:	Goose Rocks Beach	Association, Inc.	c/o Tara Gregorio
Address:	19 Community House Way (Mailing- PO BOX 140)		
		(street)	
	Kennebunkport	ME	04046
	(city)	(state)	(Zip)
Phone:	617-799-9238	Email:	tarag411@gmail.com
Authorized Agent, If Appli	icable:		

Name:	Name:       Christopher Coppi of Coppi Environmental         Address:       PO BOX 226		
Address:			
		(street	)
	Hollis Center	ME	E 04042
	(city)	(state)	(Zip)
Phone:	207-756-3245	_ Email:	cjc1829@gmail.com

If applicant is a corporation, check if licensed in Maine: Yes  $\Box$  No  $\boxtimes$  and attach a copy of State's "Certificate of Good Standing".

**Note:** All applications must conform to the Code of the Town of Kennebunkport and all applicable local, State and Federal ordinances. Planning Board approval is required before any building permit can be issued by the Code Enforcement Officer.

#### All fees must accompany this application

To the best of my knowledge, all information submitted on this application is true and correct. All proposed uses will be in conformance with the application and the Code of the Town of Kennebunkport.

I understand that if my application is approved by the Planning Board, I MUST take out a permit within 180 days of the date of Planning Board Approval, per Chapter 240.11.7.B of the Code of the Town of Kennebunkport.

Signature _	Ja Meyoria	Date: <u>_3/15/24</u>	

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February 26, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Goose Rocks Beach Association (Association), I am writing to authorize Mr. Chris Coppi to serve as an agent on behalf of the Association in matters related to the Association's application to the Kennebunkport Planning Board requesting the development of a single pickleball court. Thank you and please let me know if you have questions. Ι can be reached via email at any tarag411@gmail.com or at 617-799-9238.

Sincerely,

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Tara Gregorio Goose Rocks Beach Association, President

**Goose Rocks Beach Association Board of Directors** 

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to hold as aforesaid; and that I., and my heim. shall and will warrant and defend the Grantee, its successors same to the said beiss and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

in Witness Warrest, I "the said Lena Jeffery, widow

have bereunto ser day of December - HIV hand and seal this eighth in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty. Manuf, Socied and Deliv-in processes of Edwin G. Walker Lena Jeffery (seal)

State of Mains. York, ss. December 8 1950 bove named Lena Jeffery the above named and acknowledged the above instrument to be her free act and deed.

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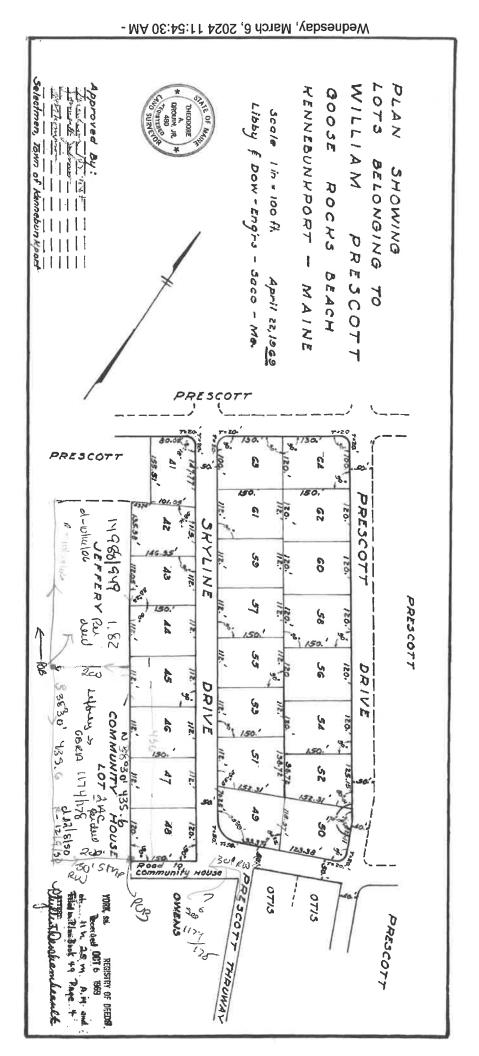
Edwin G. Walker Justice of the Peace. Before me.

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Subject Property:			
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Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	35-1-26 35-1-26 2611 12 COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD	Mailing Address:	MOORE FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST 44 WILDWOOD AVENUE KENNEBUNKPORT, ME 04046
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	35-1-27 35-1-27 2612 14 COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD	Mailing Address:	TIMBER ISLE TRUST C/O DAVID A BESTES PO BOX 1867 KENNEBUNKPORT, ME 04046
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	35-1-28 35-1-28 2613 12 COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD #REAR	Mailing Address:	GREENE, PATRICIA L 45 BELLAMY STREET BRIGHTON, MA 02135
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Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	36-1-5 36-1-5 2850 8 SKYLINE DRIVE	Mailing Address:	VIRGINIA KOSLOW DIMOLA INVEST TRUST 536 LONGLEY RD GROTON, MA 01450
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	36-1-6 36-1-6 2851 10 SKYLINE DRIVE	Mailing Address:	KAUFMAN, ADAM M & ELIZABETH S 145 PATCH HILL ROAD BOXBOROUGH, MA 01719



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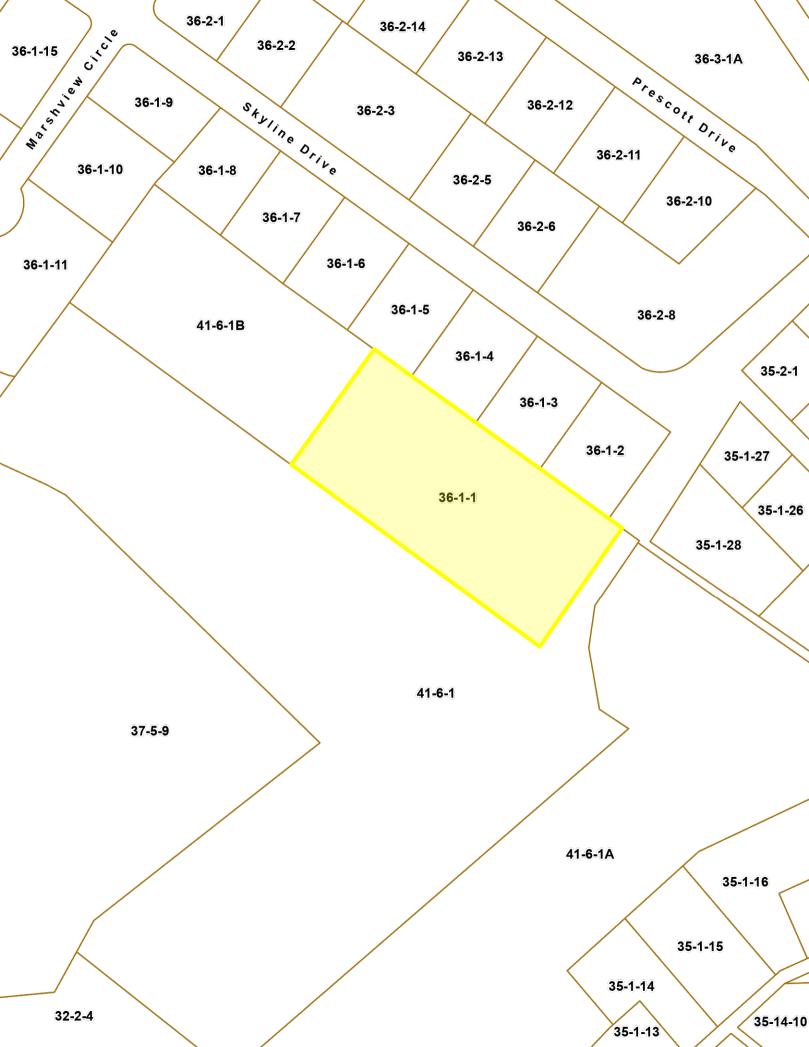
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Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	36-2-5 36-2-5 2865 7 SKYLINE DRIVE	Mailing Address:	SARIS, RICHARD 183 OAK STREET NEWTON, MA 02459
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	36-2-6 36-2-6 2866 5 SKYLINE DRIVE	Mailing Address:	GERACE FAMILY REALTY TRUST 5 UPLAND ROAD MIDDLEBURY, CT 06762
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	36-2-8 36-2-8 2867 1 SKYLINE DRIVE	Mailing Address:	CONVERY FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST 71 KERNWOOD AVENUE BEVERLY, MA 01915
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	41-6-1 41-6-1 3090 21 COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD	Mailing Address:	BARRY, RICHARD & MARIA ANTONIA 9 ALPINE ROAD WINDHAM, NH 03087
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	41-6-1A 41-6-1A 103682 COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD	Mailing Address:	RICHARD F GREENE TRUST 45 BELLAMY STREET BRIGHTON, MA 02135
Parcel Number: CAMA Number: Vision ID: Property Address:	41-6-1B 41-6-1B 104142 COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD	Mailing Address:	GOOSE ROCKS BEACH ASSOCIATION PO BOX 140 KENNEBUNKPORT, ME 04046



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#### **Goose Rocks Beach Association**

#### SECTION 240-10.6-C SUBMISSION AND REQUIREMENTS

The following sections are either "not-applicable" or a waiver is requested by the applicant.

- 240-10.6 (C) (7)- Applicant requests a waiver
- 240-10.6 (C) (8)- Applicant requests a waiver
- 240-10.6 (C) (9)- Not applicable/applicant requests a waiver
- 240-10.6 (C) (10)- Not-applicable
- 240-10.6 (C) (12)- Not-applicable/applicant requests a waiver
- 240-10.6 (C) (13)- Not-applicable
- 240-10.6 (C) (14)- Not-applicable
- 240-10.6 (C) (15)- Not-applicable

Goose Rocks Beach Association Application for permit to build pickleball court Kennebunkport Planning Commission April 2024 Supplemental data to primary application prepared by Christopher Coppi

## **Project and organizational summary**

- Goose Rocks Beach Association is a community-focused not-for-profit that exists to support members of the Kennebunk, Kennebunkport and Goose Rocks communities.
- Our remarkable history began with an over-ocean trip for our community house and continues to this day with community programs, tennis programs, youth activities including both educational and athletic, and a schedule of summer activities.
- Our overall property has two distinct properties which include close to four acres, a historic community house, four tennis courts and a basketball court.
- GRBA Membership is open to anyone who applies and pays our annual membership fee.
- We are applying to build a new court which will support member-based demand for pickleball.
- In order to consider both our members and our community we have:
  - created a GRBA board sub-committee to review options,
  - hired an expert in environmental assessment,
  - met with the community and,
  - reviewed all possible options in order to satisfy as many constituencies as possible.

## Core proposal

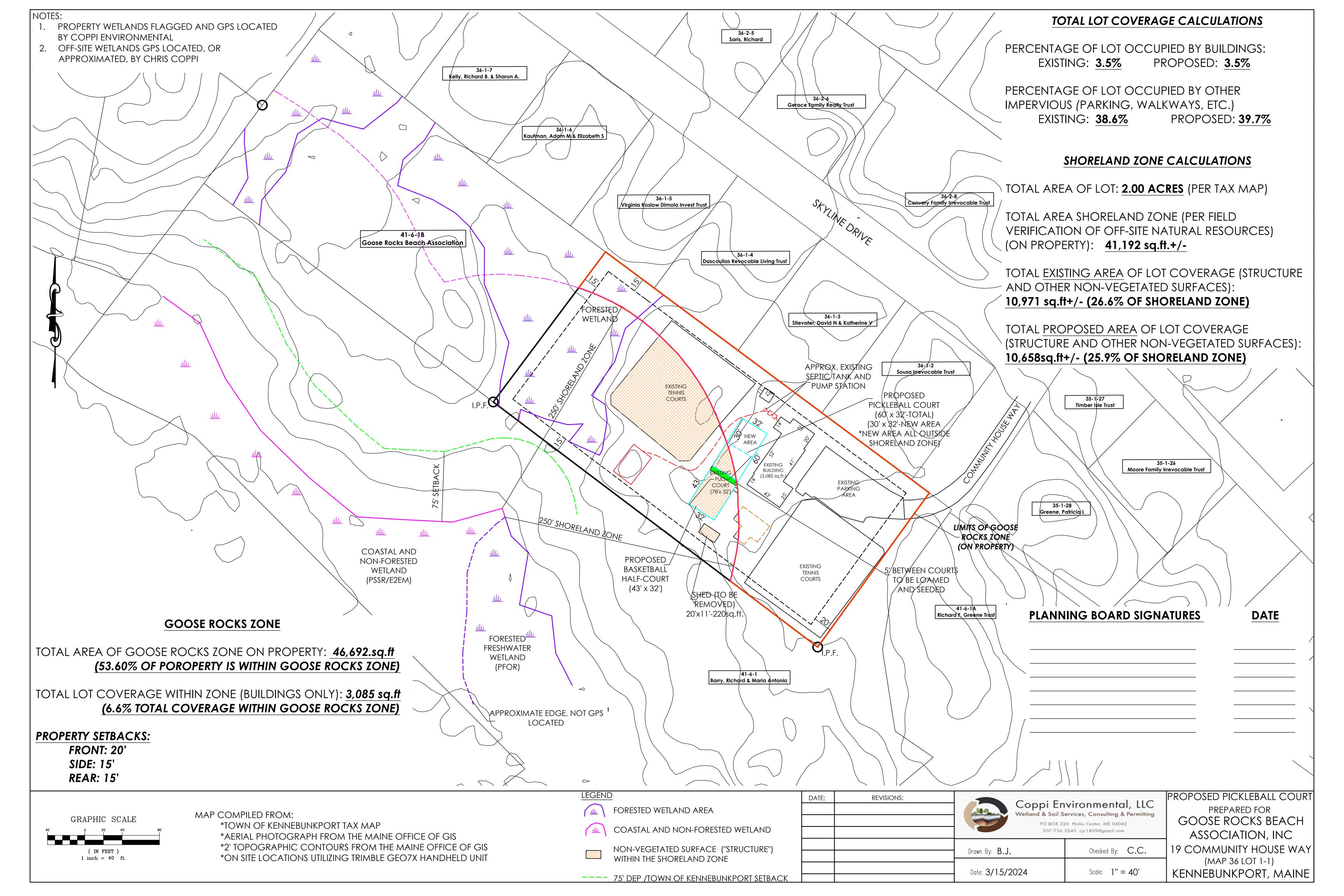
- Our core proposal is to build a single new pickleball court and to convert an existing tennis space to pickleball usage.
- As you will see from the submissions of our expert, we are working with a property that has shoreland edges, wetlands, an existing septic system and a large historic structure.
- Our proposal is to build a single new pickleball court in a location that we believe will produce a new court while minimizing abutter impact.
- We invited community members to a Board meeting last summer and listened to their input as we formulated our proposal.
- The proposed location is behind our core building and as we discuss in design features will hopefully satisfy community needs and abutters interests.
- We will continue to listen to neighbor, abutter and community interests.

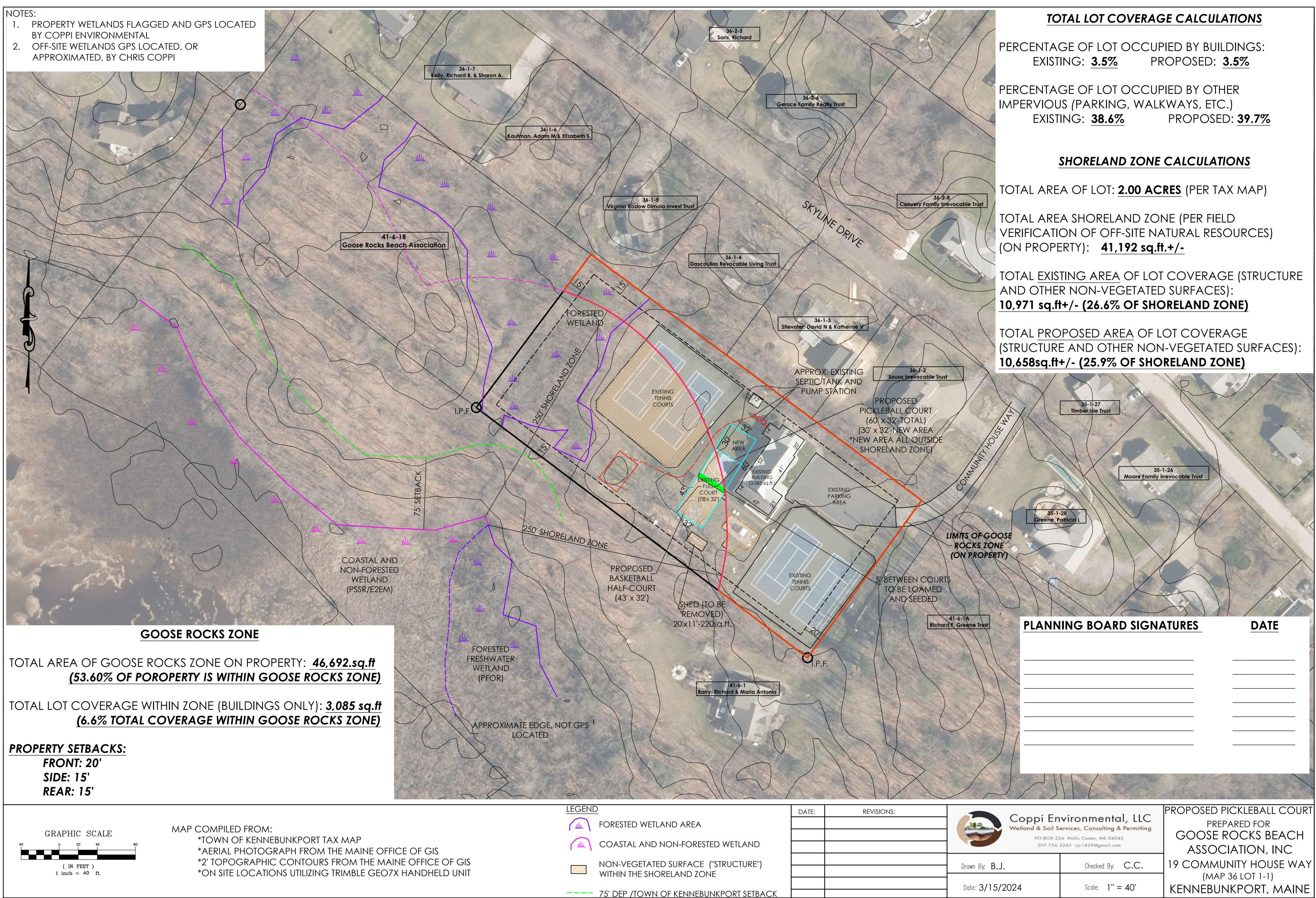
## **Community Considerations**

- The GRBA board has met regularly with our neighbors and members about the popularity of pickleball at the Community House and among our members.
- Members and neighbors have attended board meetings to express suggestions, concerns and support.
- Our goal is to provide programs sought by our membership and, at the same time, be considerate and respectful of our neighbors.
- Some members and neighbors support converting all four existing tennis courts to eight pickleball courts, but most prefer a mix of tennis and pickleball courts.
- Neighbors and members have expressed concerns including:
  - Noise
  - Time and days of pickleball play
  - Volume of players coming to play (e.g. 3 courts can have 12 players)
- To address concerns our proposal is balanced and includes specific protocols listed on next slide.
- In response to growing demand and to mitigate neighbor/members concerns, GRBA has developed and submitted to the Planning Board a plan that seeks "parity" with three tennis and three pickleball courts.

## Specific design and use features

- Single new court to be built with best available technology.
- Court will have single playing surface.
- GRBA will install native plantings around court to provide noise buffer.
- GRBA will add a sound-deafening court liner on fence of new court.
- GRBA will not install any lighting.
- GRBA will enforce limited court playing hours.
  - Playing hours will be from 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm
  - Play will occur no more than five days per week on a rotating schedule
  - Staff of GRBA will enforce rules and ensure players adhere to our community commitments
- GRBA will purchase sound deafening paddles and recommend that players use them,
- Play will be limited to members and their guests, with court usage governed by GRBA guidelines.







Goose Rocks Beach Association Application for Permit to Build A Pickleball Court

> Kennebunkport Planning Commission April 2024

Supplemental data to primary application prepared by Christopher Coppi



## **Project and organizational summary**

- Goose Rocks Beach Association is a community-focused not-for-profit that exists to support our local communities with a variety of activities including educational and athletic programs for our youth, and a robust schedule of summer events to be enjoyed by all ages.
- Our overall property has two distinct properties which include close to four acres, a historic community
  house, four tennis courts (lines have been added to one of our tennis courts to allow for two pickleball courts)
  a basketball court and a popular children's playground.
- GRBA Membership is open to anyone who applies and pays our annual membership fee, and consistent with our mission, we also offer discounted and free memberships to local families and individuals in need.
- Membership enrollment has increased significantly since the start of the pandemic, which is partially driven by pickleball demand and the increase in year-round residents at Goose Rocks Beach. As a result, our overall use rates for our courts and programs are at record highs.
- We are applying to build a new standalone pickleball court, which will support mounting member-based demand for pickleball. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in the Nation, improves fitness health, builds community and allows for multi-generational play.
- Despite the many well-documented benefits to pickleball, noise has been identified as a paramount concern, which our proposal seeks to address by utilizing best practice noise mitigation strategies, and neighbor engagement.
- To balance a broad and opposing constituency of members and neighbors, GRBA has engaged in the following actions in developing the proposed plan:
  - Established a GRBA board sub-committee to review, vet and develop options:
  - Engaged an expert in environmental assessment; and
  - Regularly engaged with the community.



# Core proposal

- Our core proposal is to build a single new pickleball court to add to our existing two pickleball courts. This would create 3 tennis courts and 3 pickleball courts at GRBA.
- As you will see from the submissions of our expert, we are working with a property that has shoreland edges, wetlands, an existing septic system and a Community House structure.
- Our proposal is to build a single new pickleball court in a location that is centrally located, minimizing abutter impact.
- We engaged community members inviting them to participate in our to a Board meetings last summer and included their input as we formulated our proposal.
- We are steadfastly committed to continuing to work with neighbor, abutter and community interests.



# **Community Considerations**

- The GRBA board has met regularly with our neighbors and members about the popularity of pickleball at the Community House and among our members.
- Members and neighbors have attended board meetings to express suggestions, concerns and support.
- Our goal is to provide programs sought by our membership and, at the same time, be considerate and respectful of our neighbors.
- Some members and neighbors support converting all four existing tennis courts to eight pickleball courts, but most prefer a mix of tennis and pickleball courts.
- The chief concern raised by neighbors is noise.
- To address this concern, our proposal is balanced and includes specific best practice protocols listed on next slide.
- It is worth noting that our tennis members have expressed strong concerns, about playing on courts with pickleball lines, and to balance the demands of our pickleball and tennis members and neighbors,
   <u>GRBA respectfully asks the Planning Board to approve the proposed plan that seeks member</u>
   <u>"parity" with three tennis and three pickleball courts, while implementing best practice noise</u>
   <u>mitigation strategies to address neighbor concerns.</u>



# Specific design and use features

- Single new court to be built with best available technology.
- Court will have single playing surface.
- GRBA will install native plantings around court to provide noise buffer.
- GRBA will add a sound-deafening court liners.
- GRBA will not install any lighting.
- GRBA will strongly enforce court playing hours from Noon to 8:00 p.m. (2023 policy)
- GRBA will purchase and strongly encourage the use of sound deafening paddles
- Play will be limited to members and their guests, with court usage governed by GRBA guidelines.