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MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016 7:00 PM
MERRILL SENEY COMMUNITY ROOM - TOWN HALL

A) Call to Order & Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Fran Morano at 7:02 PM.

Roll Call: Commissioner and Vice Chair Fran Morano, Commissioner Ron Tillen, Commissioner Charles Obert, Commissioner Jarrett Thomas, Wetlands Agent Marla Butts and Recording Secretary Diane Minarik

Absent: Commissioner Donald Hoenig II and Commissioner & Chair Peter Ricard.

Others Present: Warren & Jayne Reynolds, Michael & Janene Vandt,

B) Action on Minutes of Previous Meetings: A copy of the minutes listed below were available for review. Vice Chair Morano asked if there were any corrections and being none:

a) **Minutes of the 8/9/16 regular meeting was accepted as written.**

C) Citizen's Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items: None

D) Applications:

a) Old Applications:

1) **WAA15019** Leo Bellanceau, 653 Quaddick Town Farm Rd, Assessor's Map 160, Block 11, Lot 17, removal & replacement of mobile home with minor grading in upland review area, received by Wetlands Office 8/11/15, mobile home has been replaced, approval pending receipt of NDDH B100a approval, Ms. Butts read the letter she sent, dated 9/7/16, stating no wetlands agent approval will be granted until this office receives documentation of NDDH B100a approval or that there is no approval required and she hasn't heard from him to date.

b) New Applications:

1) **DEC16013** Warren & Jayne Reynolds, 0 Chase Rd, Assessor's Map 107, Block 34, Lot 18D, excavate 10'x10'x6' for water withdrawal for irrigation, received by Wetlands Office 8/9/16, Ms. Butts explained the project, her findings of the land records and feels this falls under the use permitted as of right for maintenance and enjoyment of a residential home, Mr. & Mrs. Reynolds were present to answer questions.

Motion to approve DEC16013 to the Reynolds to construct a reservoir on their property adjacent to the wetlands was made by Commissioner Obert. Seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion passed unanimously.

2) **DEC16014** Michael & Janene Vandt, 433 East Thompson Rd, Assessor's Map 135, Block 7, Lot 5F, in-ground pool in upland review area, received by Wetlands Office 9/8/16, Ms. Butts explained the project and recommends this should be allowed as a use permitted as of right for maintenance and enjoyment of residential home, Mr. & Mrs. Vandt were present to answer questions.

Motion to approve DEC16014 as a use permitted as of right for maintenance and enjoyment of a residential home to construct a swimming pool was made by Commissioner Obert. Seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion passed unanimously.

c) Applications Received After Agenda was Published: None

E) Permit Extensions / Changes: None

F) Active Violations & Pending Enforcement Actions:

- a) **VIOL14002** issued 1/28/14 to Norman Rudzinski, 0 Labby Rd., Assessor's Map 95, Block 27, Lot 17, violation remains open until all work is complete on Rich Road, Ms. Butts stated they still don't have a key and suggested the town use their own lock also for access when needed.
- b) **VIOL16009** issued 6/13/16 to Vincent Fallovallita, 170 Wilsonville Rd, Assessor's Map 9, Block 18, Lot 28D, filling and grading in upland review area without a permit, Ms. Butts sent a registered letter dated 8/15/16 informing him to cease all work and submit an application for proposed and completed work with details within 90 days, she hasn't heard anything from him yet.
- c) **COMPLAINT 16-08** John & Amy Seremet, 82 Church St, Assessor's Map 69, Block 103, Lot 8A, cutting trees along pond edge, received by Wetlands Office 8/10/16, letter sent dated 8/22/16 to cease and contact office regarding tree cutting, Mr. Seremet said he was clearing trees to gain access to the pond for the cows he plans to get. Ms. Butts sent a registered letter dated 8/30/16 confirming their conversation, a copy of **WAA0903-02** with approved site work plans and info on when and how to submit an application, complaint will be closed.

G) Other Business: None

H) Reports:

- a) Budget & Expenditures: Wetlands Budget for Fiscal Year 2016–2017 (Results of Fiscal Reporting 7/1/16 – 8/24/16) Commissioner Obert stated that the Commission has used 14.6% overall of its budget.

b) Wetlands Agent Report:

Updates:

- **Starr Road, Rhode Island** –On 8/22/16 Ms. Butts forwarded her inspection report of 7/22/16 N. Therien of National Land Surveyors-Developers Inc. Allan Rawson, Don Pimental, Gail Livingstone and to staff at RIDEM, EPA and USACOE.
- **Whitman's Pond Dam** (DEEP Dam Repair # DS201302144) – On 9/7/16 Ms. Butts received notification that the Swearer's were ready to close the bypass channel and begin refilling.
- **Thompson MS4** – Ms. Butts briefly looked over a proposal to help the town with the new MS4 General Permit and advised the 1st Selectman to consider contracting with this firm.

Inspections/Follow-Up Actions:

- **Compliant 16-17** - Madison Ave, Meehan Builders, LLC – On 8/17/16 Ms. Butts inspected the Madison Ave subdivision (see inspection report) and contacted the engineering firm that represented Meehan Builders, LLC in 2009 but has not had any contact from Meehan Builders, LLC or its representatives regarding what work they anticipate to take in the near future.

Wetlands Agent Approvals:

- WAA16011 – there was no appeal and became final on 8/27/16.

Building Permits Reviewed: There were 11 building permits reviewed – (1) Lowell Davis Rd (2) 188 Gawron Rd (3) 51 Robbins Rd (4) 205 East Thompson Rd (5) 75 Elmwood Hill Rd (6) 64 New Rd (7) 196 Fabyan Rd (8) Kapitulik Rd (9) 138 Fabyan Rd (10) 106 Plain Rd (11) 57 Spicer Rd.

Miscellaneous:

- **North Grosvenordale Pond Dam** – On 8/25/16 Ms. Butts re-inspected and videoed conditions of the dam and hand delivered a copy to DEEP on 9/8/16. She also reviewed Thompson's emergency operation plan and found no information regarding actions to be taken should that dam began to fail.
- **C-TEC Solar, LLC Solar Energy Project for Ballard Road** – Ms. Butts received a letter from the Connecticut Siting Council containing a conditional declaratory ruling on Petition #1247 affirming that their proposal would not have a substantial adverse environmental affect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need but one of the conditions of approval requires the petitioner to prepare a D&M plan that contains details for a Vernal Pool Buffer Enhancement Plan to be served upon the town for comment and submitted to and approved by the Council prior to the start of facility construction.
- **Providence & Worcester Railroad** is being sold to Genesee & Wyoming Inc. of Darien.

Purchase Requisitions Status: Paid \$22.05 to Stonebridge Press for legal notices, \$55.00 to CACIWC and \$378.75 to Jim Stratos for training on webpage edits and site maintenance.

I) Correspondence:

- a) DEEP notice of non-compliance letters for:
 - a) Belden Dam #14108
 - b) North Grosvenordale Dam #14103
 - c) Coderre Pond Dam #14113

b) CACIWA membership fee reminder – paid and annual meeting on 11/12/16.

c) The Habitat Summer 2016

J) Signing of Mylars: None

K) Comments by Commission:

Commissioner Thomas asked where he could find Thompson's Storm Water Management Plan. Ms. Butts said it's called MS4 and will email it to him.

L) Adjournment: **Vice Chair Morano called to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM.**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Tillen. Seconded by Commissioner Obert.
Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane Minarik
Recording Secretary
09-13-2016 Minutes IWC Regular Meeting