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MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017 7:00 PM
MERRILL SENEY COMMUNITY ROOM - TOWN HALL

A) Call to Order & Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jarrett Thomas at 7:10 PM.

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

Absent:

Others Present: None

B) Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting: A copy of the minutes listed below were available for review. Chair Thomas asked and corrections were made to the 5/9/17 Minutes as follows:

- **VIOL17017** – correct company name is: **Quaddick Mountain Resorts Inc.** and extension is for 90 days from 5/8/17.
- **Thompson Community Day** – there was a discussion but no motion.

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

D) Applications:

a) Old Applications:

- 1) **WAA17021** River Valley Construction & Landscaping, LLC, 47 Seastrand Rd, Assessor's Map 65, Block 100, Lot 11A, construct 8' x 19' sunroom in upland review area, received by Wetlands Office 6/13/17, approval issued 6/19/17, legal noticed published 6/23/17, appeal period ends 7/7/17, no appeal received, approval final.
- 2) **WAA17022** Kenneth Bone, 511 Brandy Hill Rd, Assessor's Map 143, Block 17, Lot 1A, septic system repair in upland review area, received by Wetlands Office 6/19/17, approval issued 6/19/17, legal noticed published 6/23/17, appeal period ends 7/7/17, no appeal received, approval final.

b) New Applications: None

c) Applications Received After Agenda was Published: None

E) Permit Extensions / Changes: None

F) Active Violations & Pending Enforcement Actions:

- a) **IWA14019** Norman Rudzinski, 0 Labby Rd., Assessor's Map 95, Block 27, Lot 17, excavating/gravel mining in upland review area, received 8/12/14, inspection in June 2017 found inadequate sediment controls and grading activity in the upland review area beyond what is shown on the approved plan, letter sent. Ms. Butts hasn't received any response to her letter so she will do a site inspection and if no correction the next letter will be sent certified mail.
- b) **VIOL17017** Linden O'Leary, President of Quaddick Mountain Resorts Inc., Assessor's Map 143, Block 16, Lots 17, 17AK, 17AL, 17AM & 17AN, violation issued 5/8/17, 90 day extension requested and approved, extension expires 8/8/17, no application received yet.

G) Other Business:

- a) Thompson Community Day, Sunday 9/24/17 – Ms. Butts is waiting on a draft copy of the 2'x6' banner and monies encumbered for a 6ft folding table and canopy.

H) Reports:

- a) Budget & Expenditures: Wetlands Budget for Fiscal Year 2016–2017 (Results of Fiscal Reporting 7/1/16 – 6/30/17) Ms. Butts stated they haven't received the final budget report yet.

b) Wetlands Agent Report:

Updates:

- **DEEP MS4 General Permit Status** – Ms. Butts completed all the tasks required of the IWC by Thompson's MS4 Stormwater Management Plan (SMP) Best Management Practice BMP 4. Ms. Butts explained each requirement to the Commission and stated the requirements required by the BMP 4-5 are fulfilled. She is continuing to working with Renée on other SMP requirements.
- **Status of Court Appeal on Application IWA15029, River Junction Estates** – the court has issued a discovery order establishing dates for the certification of closed pleadings, exchanges of written discovery requests, exchanges of responses to discovery requests, the filing of motions, disclosing expert witnesses, and the completion of depositions. These will occur between August to October 2017. Ms. Butts spent a lot of time making 4 copy sets of exhibits from the hearing and that work is now completed.

Inspections/Follow-Up Actions:

- Complaint 17-03, 38 Breaults Landing Road - Upon receiving a report yesterday from a nearby property owner that trees were being removed at 38 Breault's Landing Road Ms. Butts visited the site, observed that tall pine trees were in the process of being cut down and talked to the property owner, Jacques Lemoine. Mr. Lemoine said he was removing some trees and wanted to do some minor grading work to his property. Ms. Butts told him cutting of trees did not require approval from the IWC but the proposed grading would need approval.
- WAA17018, Richard Bonneau, 32 Greene Ln. construction of a 22' x 32' storage building & 22' x 25' detached garage, on 7/10/17 Ms. Butts inspected site and both buildings were under construction; there were no soil erosion and sediment control problems.
- Complaint #16-04, drainage problems related to activities at 533 Brandy Hill Rd. – At this site on 6/28/16 Vice Chair Fran Morano and Ms. Butts found a ditch that was suppose to have drained a wetland located in 543 Brandy Hill Rd had been filled in and a small white 4 inch pipe installed with a yard drain inlet. We spoke to property owner Urgel Lapierre who said he would remove the leaves and debris that had clogged the inlet. After that inspection Ms. Butts began an investigation of prior IWC approvals (permit #90-06-02 & permit #07-05-04) as well as property deeds and record drawings filed on the land records and there seems to be some discrepancy in the land records regarding ownership of land containing the former ditch and where the pipe was now located. She recently received voice messages and emails from Larry Pincince, an owner affected by the blocked ditch & drain and expects to be completing her investigation and will report to the Commission at the next meeting.

Wetlands Agent Approvals: None.

Building Permits Reviewed: There was 1 building permit reviewed – (1) 47 Seastrand Rd.

Miscellaneous:

- Selectmen's Update Article -The 1st Selectman's Office is looking for articles to place in the next edition of the Selectman's Update. Ms. Butts drafted an update for the Commissions comments and suggested changes. The Commission suggested adding contact info.
- Webpage Updates – Changes were made to the IWC member listing and a link was added under Documents & Forms Advice & Resource Information for an UConn "How To Guide" for rain gardens.

Purchase Requisitions Status: Paid \$158.21 to WB Mason and encumbered \$337.90 for Stonebridge Press for legal notices and purchases.

- I) Correspondence:
 - a) BOS Interdepartmental Coordination Requirements Land Disturbance and Development Projects SMP – already discussed during meeting.
 - b) The Habitat – Spring 2017
- J) Signing of Mylars: None
- K) Comments by Commissioners: Commissioner Tillen asked what the status is for the Marianapolis Sewer. Ms. Butts stated it is unknown and the last she heard there was a complaint to the court by the contractor against the engineering company and Town because of inadequate information for the horizontal boring under the highway.
- L) Adjournment: **Chair Thomas called to adjourn the meeting at 7:59: PM.**

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

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane Minarik
Recording Secretary
07-11-2017 Minutes IWC Regular Meeting