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CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND WETLANDS AND  
WATERCOURSES AGENCY MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 17, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER

Richard Miller, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Main Meeting Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. The following members and alternates were present: Margery Winters, Margaret Sexton, Darren Cunningham, and Ryan Mihalic. Also in attendance was Howard Beach, Conservation Officer, and other interested parties.

II. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of March 15, 2011

Tabled to the next meeting.

IV. PRESENTATION(s), DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE

a. Application of Frederic Jardinico, Regional Environmental Manager, Dyno Nobel, Inc., Owner, for an Inland Wetlands Permit for work associated with the excavation of impacted soils within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at the Powder Forest DNI Simsbury Facility, west of 660 Hopmeadow Street. (Maps F-12 & F-13, Block 108, Lot 5C)

A representative from AECOM, spoke on behalf of the application for Dyno Nobel. She said that they are doing remediation work at the end of the access road that runs down to the south portion of the parcel, which is located on the opposite side the street from the main facility. She showed the site location to the Commissioners. This location is in the upland

review area.

Mr. Beach said that a year ago they had land fill closures in that area. This is the same road, but the excavation is at the extreme end of it, and is located in a highly secured area in the woods. Mr. Beach showed them on the location map where Dyno Nobel s property is located, and also the area that is Ensign-Bickford Realty. A Commissioner asked if there were some facilities on this site. Mr. Beach said that there are some bunkers used for storage (showed on the plan), but also further back up the road there are some production facilities.

The AECOM representative, a Wetlands Scientist, said that they did some testing along the bunkers and came up with bits of chromium and PETN, which is an explosives constituent. The goal of this project is to remediate for ResDEC and PMC standards, which is the residential area exposure criteria. The project is being done to meet the Connecticut Transfer Act, and the goal is to remediate these areas so there are no limitations to future use. She said that from the testing that has already been done in these areas it looks like the contaminants are down between two and four feet deep. Hale bales and silt fence will surround the excavation areas.

There was discussion between the applicant's agent, the commissioners, and Mr. Beach.

Chairmen Miller said that this Commission is concerned about other environmental issues outside of the purview of the wetlands protection. It would apply to this kind of a remediation. He feels that they need more of a presentation on how this remedial action plan was developed, what they sampled for, why they chose to excavate, why things are at four feet if they are not supposed to be mobile., etc. The AECOM representative said that they dug below the four feet depth, and the two to three feet depth is the range where they found the contaminants.

Commissioner Mihalic made a motion to table this application until either June 7th or June 21st based upon discussions between the applicant and town staff tomorrow. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sexton and passed unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

#### V. RECEIPT OF NEW APPLICATIONS

None

VI. STAFF REPORTS

a. Administrative issuance of an Inland Wetlands Permit on the application of Jay Ginewski, Owner, for the alteration of an existing deck within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at 50 Old Mill Court. (Map G-10, Block 148, Lot 39)

Mr. Beach said that this is an existing condo up in the Maple Court complex. They have an existing deck on the back of the house and would like to have an egress out of the house on the side. To do this they have to wrap around the corner of the building to have stairs come down. The wetland review line comes up to the corner of the house. Mr. Beach said that there would be a couple of sonotubes dug by hand. The lawn is all established.

Mr. Beach also mentioned that he has received the schedule for the next new wetlands training sessions. If anyone is interested in signing up, let him know.

VII. DISCUSSION

Commissioner Winters said that she is attending the Route 10 Corridor Study meetings. They have to come to some sort of decision in June on recommendations. She said that there have been some traffic studies done on how many more cars would be on Route 10 in approximately 2030. Certain spots are being identified as problem areas. Commissioner Winters mentioned one recommendation that suggested a route from Latimer Lane crossing over the river onto Nod Road, which she feels is not feasible. Some of the proposals are trying to route the road closer to the Farmington floodway. Mr. Beach said that the goal, with the Hartford being one of the major traffic generators in town, was to come up with an alternate route to get across the river. This would take some of the load off of Route 10. Commissioner Winters said that the permitting hurdles would be huge to get this into the floodplain. Other things coming out of the discussions are bike paths and redesigning of some intersections. Commissioner Winters said that she is hoping that they are moving in the direction of staying away from some of the floodplain options.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

IX        ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Mihalic moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sexton and passed unanimously with a 5-0 vote..

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Ryan Mihalic, Secretary