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CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
June 1, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the Conservation meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Main Meeting Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. Commissioner members present were: Margaret Sexton, Margery Winters, Patrick Kottas, and Donald Rieger, Jr.

II. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

Chairman Miller appointed Commissioner Rieger to serve in the absence of Commissioner Bucknam and Commissioner Kottas to serve in the absence of Commissioner Mihalic.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 20, 2010

Commissioner Rieger made a motion to approve the April 20, 2010 minutes as written. Commissioner Winters seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

IV. RECEIPT OF NEW APPLICATION(S)

a. Application of James Jepeal, Applicant, for an Inland Wetlands Permit for construction of a garage/storage addition within the 100-foot regulated area to a wetland on property located at 15 Winthrop Street, Tariffville (Maps K3 & K4, Block 205, Lot 12)

Mr. Beach stated that this homeowner would like to construct a three bay garage within the 100' upland review area. It is currently lawn area.

Mr. Beach stated that another application that will be coming before this Commission at their next meeting is for the installation of an elevated

walkway to cross two small streams. This is an Eagle Scout project. He stated that this application is for 44 Pinnacle Mountain Road.

V. STAFF REPORTS

a. Administrative issuance of an Inland Wetlands Permit on the application of Keith T. Ziegler, Applicant, to construct a 20-foot x 20-foot addition, using helical screw footings which minimizes soil disturbance, within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at 231 Stratton Brook Road (Map C-12, Block 406, Lot 007).

b. Administrative issuance of an Inland Wetlands Permit on the application of James Richardson, Applicant, to construct a deck expansion within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at 4 Dominique Lane (Map F-7, Block 107, Lot 65). The deck expansion will be supported by concrete piers that will be dug by hand in the existing lawn area.

c. Administrative issuance of an Inland Wetlands Permit on the application of The Master's School, Owner, Prime Homes Inc., Applicant, for construction of stone work associated with a sign for The Master's School within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at The Master's School, 36 Westledge Road (Map B-07, Block 203, Lot 033).

d. Administrative issuance of an Inland Wetlands Permit on the application of Dan McKeeman, Applicant, to construct a deck expansion within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at 1 Welden Way (Map E-11, Block 147, Lot 015-1). The deck expansion will be supported by six concrete piers that will be dug by hand in the existing lawn area.

e. Administrative issuance of an Inland Wetlands Permit on the application of Robert H. Everest, Applicant, to construct a deck within the 100-foot upland review area to a wetland on property located at 19 Saxton Brook Drive (Map H-4, Block 403, Lot 7). The deck expansion will be supported by concrete piers that will be dug by hand in the existing lawn area.

Mr. Beach stated that all of these administrative approvals were all standard issuances. The Commission members reviewed these administrative approvals; they did not have any questions.

VI. DISCUSSION

Meadowood farming

Mr. Beach stated that several area farmers are leasing Town owned land. He stated that they are not going into the wetland corridor; they will not be farming any part of the Triangle. The farmers will be using organic practices at Meadowood; they will be doing this as a test basis.

The Commission discussed the birds that are in this area and the number of time mowing for hay should be done. Mr. Beach stated that he has been in contact with DEP regarding mowing; they will be coming out to look at the birds in this area and to discuss a plan for mowing.

PAD – Adopted

Mr. Beach stated that the PAD Regulation was adopted by the Zoning Commission. He stated that this regulation is different from the Charrette Center Zone Regulation. Neither of these regulations affects the wetland application process. Under the PAD Regulation, there will be referrals to this Commission. This Commission will have input during the preliminary meetings and also when the applicant goes through the regulatory process.

Swimming pool information packet for pool owners

Mr. Beach distributed a handout regarding swimming pools to the Commission members. The Building Department hands this out information when people come to get a permit to put in a pool. Commissioner Rieger suggested adding to this information. He volunteered to draft something for the Commission's review at their next meeting.

The Commission discussed the chlorine in pools in terms of draining pools. They also discussed having a plaque or stickers made up to hand out to homeowners. This would be helpful for future homeowners to instruct them not to discharge the pool water into a wetland.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Winters questioned if the Hoffman site has been stabilized. Mr. Beach stated that plantings and a fence were supposed to be put in place. He believes Hoffman is waiting because of the economy. Mr. Beach stated that he would look at the site to see if there is any erosion because this is not in place.

Mr. Beach distributed the Connecticut Wildlife handout to the Commission members.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Winters made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.
Commissioner Rieger seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Commissioner Ryan Mihalic, Secretary