



Town of Simsbury

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Office of Community Planning and Development

MINUTES

CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY REGULAR MEETING-TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021 7:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: 7:34PM

ROLL CALL: Present – Chairman Winters, Commissioners, Levy, Eaton, Campoileta. Alternate Haldeman was invited to sit. A quorum was established.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

A motion was made to add under new business, the acceptance of application CC21-08 20 Terriffville Road, Stardust LLC. Self-storage facility. Approved unanimously (5-0-0)

A motion was made to add Conservation Business after Correspondence. Approved unanimously (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

Application #21-03 Dominick Visciotti applicant, 69 Fernwood Drive, Assessors Map B19, Block 506, Lot 037, Zone R-25. Installation of a shed in the upland review.

The resident is proposing to build a shed on blocks for storage. He has shown that the area he has chosen is maintained lawn and set near the edge of a drop that goes to the wetlands. The agent did a field visit and verified the findings. The property seems to be graded when the house was built and may have been filled to give a useable lawn area. It was determined by the commission the this would constitute the upland review area and should be reviewed and possibly delegated to the agent for approval.

MOTIONS: Commissioner Levy, motioned that the application be received and delegated to the agent for approval. Commissioner Haldeman seconded All Commissioners voted in favor (5-0-0).

Application #21-08 Stardust LLC application, 20 Tariffville Road, Assessors Map I06, Block 439, Lot 016A, Zone B-1. Construction of a self-storage facility with infiltration basin located in the upland review.

No review was given due to the applications delivery so close to the meeting. It was put up for receipt.

MOTIONS: Application was received unanimously (5-0-0)

OLD BUSINESS:

Application #21-01 Sandra Wheeler Owner, Nadia Wright Applicant. 6 Victoria Lane, Assessors Map C07, Lot 212, Block 012, Zone R-40. Installation of an in ground pool in the upland review.

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The in ground pool has been adjusted in shape to move it as far away from the wetlands as possible. Due to the expected ground water table height the contractor does not expect to have any significant seasonal draw downs and during construction will use trucks that can handle soils that would need dewatering. If the ground water needs to be drawn down during the construction to install the liner they will pump the water into a created gravel dry well. The filtration system being used will be a cartridge style system that will not require back washing as a media filter system would. It was also noted by the agent that between the lawn and the wetland behind the property is a vegetative berm that is a maintained landscaped bed. This does provide a significant barrier between the wetlands and the maintained property helping to protect the wetlands from any activity due to the pool.

MOTIONS: Commissioner Levy moved that the activity is a regulated activity, commissioner Haldeman Seconded. Vote was unanimous (5-0-0)

Commissioner Levey motioned that the activity was not a significant impact, commissioner Haldeman seconded. Vote was unanimous (5-0-0)

Commissioner Levey made a motion to approve the application, commissioner Haldeman seconded. Vote was unanimous (5-0-0)

GENERAL BUSINESS: **Minutes:** Minutes from March 2, 2021 Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Campioleta and seconded by Commissioner Levey. Approved unanimously (5-0-0).

CONSERVATION BUSINESS:

Discussions were held about sending a correspondence to the Zoning Commission to review larger projects for possible planting and low impact design feature recommendations.

Discussion was had about trying to upload some bird friendly planting news to the website in response to the new bird feeder ordinance.

Discussion was had regarding the proposed State level Zoning Law changes and the possibility of the expansions of As-Of-Right rules and the possible stripping of some review powers of the towns. The thought is to review the proposals and possibly submit a letter to the State if there is still time.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Campioleta made a motion to adjourn at 8:33 PM, Commissioner Haldeman Seconded. All voted in Favor. Vote: 5-0-0.