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INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2012 ~ 7:00 p.m.
Town Hall Annex, 80 Doyle Road, Bantam, CT

Call to Order: Chairman Robert Blazek called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Robert Blazek, Dr. Frank Schildgen, Jack Hamill, Carol Williams, Barbara Brower (arrived 7:15 p.m.), Frederick Minck, and alternate Abby Conroy
Also present was Recording Secretary Ann Combs. Inland Wetlands Agent Dennis Tobin, Ph.D. was absent.

Members Absent: None

1. Public Comment: None

2. Appointment of Alternates: Chairman Blazek appointed Abby Conroy as a regular voting member.

APPLICATION CONSIDERATIONS

3. Litchfield Housing Trust, Inc. – Torrington Road (Map 145,020,055) 11/14/12

Construction of 9-unit affordable housing development

a. Consider setting public hearing for December 12, 2012

Ken Hrica, Licensed Land Surveyor, asked to present some information by experts to determine if this application is a significant activity or if it is an activity in the public interest. They would then be prepared to present a reasonable and prudent alternative. Chairman Blazek said the Commission determines if this application is a significant activity. Since it was determined at the last meeting that a public hearing is the next step, there was no more discussion.

Motion: Dr. Frank Schildgen moved to hold a public hearing on this application on December 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex to further discuss, as it is in the public interest and it may have a significant impact on the wetlands.

Second: Jack Hamill

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion: Dr. Frank Schildgen moved to add as 4a. "Oswald W. Marrin – 191 Fern Avenue (Map 127/31/1) for a two-lot subdivision instead of the three-lot subdivision previously approved."

Second: Jack Hamill

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

APPLICATION RECEPTION

4. Litwin DBA Arbutus Farm – 67 Litwin Road 11/14/12

As of right application to restore agricultural meadow by removing depleted artificial pond

Dr. Schildgen said the applicant, as per regulations, must come to Inland Wetlands, so this is an after-the-fact application. *[Barbara Brower arrived at this point at 7:15 p.m.]*

Motion: Jack Hamill moved to make this a reception as an after-the-fact application according to the regulation read by Chairman Blazek.

Second: Dr. Frank Schildgen

Vote: All voted aye except Barbara Brower who abstained because she was absent for most of the discussion, and the motion carried.

4a. Oswald W. Marrin – 191 Fern Avenue (Map 127/31/1)

11/14/12

Two-lot subdivision instead of the three-lot subdivision previously approved

Ken Hrica explained this to be the same property with no regulated activity as previously approved, but one lot is removed and merged with the house lot.

Motion: Dr. Frank Schildgen moved to receive and approve subject application previously approved as a three-lot subdivision, and now broken into a two-lot subdivision as per revised map dated 11/9/12 entitled Winward Subdivision by Ken Hrica.

Second: Abby Conroy

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes of October 10, 2012

Barbara Brower said “excused” should be changed to “recused” under Item 8a.

Motion: Carol Williams moved to approve the minutes of 10/10/12 with the above correction.

Second: Fred Minck

Vote: Upon voting, all voted aye and the motion carried.

6. Correspondence

- Abby Conroy said she has completed the wetlands training and pointed out a regulation change that Carol Williams read aloud. A copy of the flier will be made for all members.

- Client Advisory from Atty. Steven E. Byrne

- The Habitat, Fall 2012

The Commission conducted a short interview of potential member John Davis.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Dr. Frank Schildgen moved to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Second: Carol William

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann D. Combs, Recording Secretary