MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SEYMOUR INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2009
NORMA DRUMMER ROOM, SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

Members in attendance: Steve Plotkin, Peter Jezierny, Ralph Noel, Elise Wood

Also present: John Conroy, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Office

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Steve Plotkin.

OLD BUSINESS

Seymour WPCA, Clearing along tributary to Bladen’s River

Mr. Plotkin stated that the Commission is waiting for a letter from the State Forestry on this matter and it will be tabled to the next meeting.

Site Plan, Mixed Use, 35 Cogwheel Lane (136 New Haven Avenue)

Donald Priest and Richard Couch were present. Mr. Plotkin stated that Mr. Ryan was concerned about the size of the footing on the wall; how it was going to be built and supported. Mr. Couch stated that the details of the wall are on the plans and there will be crushed stone at the base. He stated that the wall will be constructed across the wetlands. He stated that the first thing will be just enough clearing to get a vehicle in the back to get the wall. Then they will grub out to get the wall in and once the wall is in nothing can get into the wetlands. Mr. Priest explained that they will be piping the stream so that it continues to go into the wetlands just as it has been doing. Mr. Couch stated that they will be maintaining the same amount of water that goes into the wetlands now. Mr. Conroy asked if everything was resolved with the town engineer and Mr. Priest indicated it was.

MOTION: P. Jezierny/R. Noel, to schedule a public hearing on this matter for July 27, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
Motion Carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Lot 12, High Ridge Estates Subdivision, Maple Street

Mike Horbal was present for the applicant. He submitted the application and a check for demolition. He stated that Lot 12 is part of Gregos Farm and everything on the site is shown on the plans. They have identified some junk cars and old farm equipment which they will be cleaning up from the wetlands and upland review area. Mr. Horbal explained that there will be 960 sf of activity in the wetlands and approximately 2,000 sf
in the upland review area. The check was in the amount of $690.00. He stated that all old farm buildings, barns and sheds are in poor condition and will be removed. He stated that the contractor will demolish them and remove the materials from the site. In addition, they want to clean up the junk cars and scrap metal and is close to or in the wetlands. The plans show how that will be done. He stated that they will be putting in an anti-tracking apron. He stated that they have been advised to conduct these activities only during the dry time of the year. He also noted that the contractor cannot start any work until he receives the approval of the Wetlands Officer. Mr. Horbal stated that they feel this will be an improvement to the wetlands by removing what now pollutes the wetlands. He stated that they are asking for approval so that the work can be done during July and August.

Mr. Jezierny asked how they will be removing the materials from the site. Mr. Horbal explained that there will be a container and when a building is knocked down they will get it as small as possible and into the pieces into the container. He stated that some things will be removed by hand where possible; otherwise they will use a cable to pull things out of the wetlands. There will be as little disturbance as possible. Once the work is completed all disturbed areas will be seeded and mulched. Mr. Jezierny asked if there would be any tree cutting and Mr. Horbal stated that they do not anticipate any tree cutting of the large trees. Mr. Noel asked about the weight of the vehicles going over the stone culvert. Mr. Horbal stated that they will be using small equipment and may build up the amount of the stone on the culvert. Mr. Jezierny asked if any buildings had stone foundations and Mr. Horbal stated that some buildings do. The contractor does not have to remove the foundations but may take off the top of them.

**MOTION:** P. Jezierny/E. Wood, to accept the application as complete. Motion Carried 4-0.

**MOTION:** P. Jezierny/E. Wood, to approve the demolition plans for Lot 12, High Ridge Estates Subdivision as shown on map dated 06/04/09 Motion Carried 4-0.

Mr. Horbal stated that he discussed this with the Wetlands Enforcement Officer and he will monitor the work.

**38 Sagamore Drive**

The owner of 38 Sagamore Drive stated that he did some construction work on his backyard and did not know about the wetlands. Jim Baldwin stated that the individual has lived in the house since 2001 and now connected water and sewer in the front. There is a problem in the rear that he is trying to correct. He showed plans and explained that this lot existed originally as a lot on the first phase of construction of the
subdivision with a cul-de-sac. There was a pipe left in the middle of the back yard. The area surrounding the pipe is all dry land. He then showed a map with how the subdivision was developed. He stated that the temporary turnaround was taken away and all the property added to this lot. He would now like to extend the drainage with pipe and construct a new bulkhead to help with the problems that he has been having. Mr. Conroy noted that there are wetlands up above but not on his property. Mr. Plotkin noted that there will be no impact to the wetlands. Mr. Baldwin stated that they will use a flared end with riprap which will make it easier to clean and maintain. There will be no tree cutting or excavating.

8 Laurel Lane

There was no one present regarding this matter.

MINUTES

MOTION: P. Jezierny/E. Wood, to approve the minutes of the 4/27/09 public hearing.
Motion Carried 4-0.

MOTION: P. Jezierny/E. Wood, to approve the minutes of the 4/27/09 regular meeting.
Motion Carried 4-0.

MOTION: P. Jezierny/R. Noel, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.
Motion Carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryanne DeTullio, Rec. Secretary