MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
SEYMOUR INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2016
FLAHERTY ROOM, SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

Members in Attendance: Paul Wetowitz, Mike Flynn, James Forsyth, Tim Connors, Brian Koskelowski

Also Present: Atty. Barbara Schellenberg.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman P. Wetowitz.

Public Comment

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

Approval of Minutes, June 27, 2016

MOTION: B. Koskelowski/M. Flynn to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2016 meeting. Motion Carried 5-0.

Inland Wetlands Application, Dakota Woods Garden Apartments, 20 Spring Street, Discussion and Possible Action.

Storm Water Management Application, Dakota Woods Garden Apartments, 20 Spring Street, Discussion and Possible Action.

Mr. Wetowitz stated that a letter was received from John Paul Garcia on behalf of the applicant requesting a thirty day extension of time so that they can review the revisions recommended by the town engineer.

MOTION: J. Forsyth/M. Flynn to grant the 30 day extension. Motion Carried 5-0.

46-100 Roosevelt Drive, Mixed Use, Vineyard and Retain Sales, Wetlands/Storm Water Management Permit, discussion and Possible Action.

Zach Georgina, Juliano Associates was present for the applicant, Tonio Marvulli. He stated that there is currently an existing driveway and gravel path on the property. The house that was there has been removed. He stated that there is a stream and also a man-made pond. There are pockets of wetlands on the site and an existing water trench. He stated that he did not see any moving water in the trench. The proposal is for a vineyard, 10,000 s.f. retain use with some apartments on the second floor of that building. There will be a tasting room and gift shop. There will also be a small ice cream kiosk which will only be accessed from the outside. There will also be a private home built on the site with some equestrian use associated with that. They are proposing to use the existing driveway for the residence and vineyard which will be
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upgraded. The parking and retail use will be kept outside of the wetlands. There will be two handicap parking spaces in the upper area.

Mr. Wetowitz asked if there will be any impact to the wetlands. Mr. Georgina presented the grading plan and stated that the grades will be the same as the existing. They will not be disturbing the wetlands and any area of disturbance will be for the vineyard use. Mr. Wetowitz stated that the town engineer needs to review the plans and application. Mr. Flynn asked if there will be any irrigation devices on the site. Adam Testi stated that the trellises over the grapes will have sprinklers for watering. Mr. Wetowitz asked about the storm water management plan. Mr. Georgina stated that he met with the town engineer and was told that they could tie into the existing storm water plan. Mr. Wetowitz stated that the Commission does not know what the storm water plan will look like. Mr. Marvuli stated that he was hoping for an approval so that he can proceed with the plans and also the planting and not miss the season.

MOTION: Mr. Flynn/B. Koskelowski to schedule a special meeting for August 29, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. to review the storm water management plan.
Motion Carried 5-0.

MOTION: B. Koskelowski/T. Connors to accept the Inland Wetlands application.
Motion Carried 6-0.

Proposed Parking Lot, Seymour Congregational Church, 45 Broad Street, Wetlands and Storm Water Permit.

Karl Kregling representing Don Smith stated that Mr. Smith has been working with the First Selectman and the church on this project. The church has a need for more parking. They purchased three lots behind the church which they want to use for parking. There will be 1300 s.f. of impervious surface and runoff from there will go into the catch basins. There was no wetlands on the site and all activity is within the upland review area. Mr. Wetowitz stated that a letter was received from Donald Smith submitting the applications. Mr. Smith stated that both applications are for the Town and requested that the fees be waived.

MOTION: J. Forsyth/M. Flynn to accept both application for review by the town engineer.
Motion Carried 5-0.

MOTION: J. Forsyth/B. Koskelowski to waive the fees for both applications.
Motion Carried 5-0.
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Town Attorney, Presentation of Timeline and Outline for Updating Inland Wetlands Regulations and Storm Water Management Ordinance, Discussion and Possible Action.

Atty. Schellenberg stated that Atty. Marino is working on this and should have the proposed regulations at the September meeting for the Commission to review. Mr. Wetowitz stated that they can be reviewed at the next meeting and then a public hearing scheduled. The storm water management ordinance will be a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen Ordinance Committee. Mr. Wetowitz asked if the fees can be discussed at the next meeting and Atty. Schellenberg stated that the Commission can do so.

Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer’s Report, Discussion and Action if necessary.

Mr. Wetowitz stated that he spoke with both enforcement officers and they are working on several things.

Public Comment

Jamie Brennan, 124 Bungay Road stated that there is still filling going on at 58 Canfield Road. He felt that a precedent is being set and nothing is being done about this. He also stated that the catch basins on Canfield Road and Botsford Road are full and need to be cleaned out.

Commissioner’s Public Comments

There were no Commissioner comments.

MOTION: B. Koskelowskii/M. Flynn to adjourn the meeting.
Motion Carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Maryanne DeTullio