

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
SEYMOUR INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION  
MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2012  
NORMA DRUMMER ROOM, SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

Members in Attendance: John Conroy, Ralph Noel, Kevin Stanis

Members Absent: Steve Plotkin, Elise Wood

Also Present: Peter Jezierny, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Acting Chm. Conroy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Walking Trails, 10 Edwards Road

Peter Wexler was present. Mr. Jezierny stated that the property extends from Edward Road inward and abuts the property of the Seymour Land Trust. The Town was notified that work was going on at Mr. Wexler's property. He was sent a letter dated May 8, 2012 that the wetlands area was being filled and informed that it is illegal and that an application should be filed. Mr. Wexler notified Mr. Jezierny that he would be filing an application.

Mr. Wexler stated that the trails existed when he purchased the property and the trails were ripped up because of storm damage. He stated that he was just restoring the trails and he considers them to be more of a nature trail.

Mr. Conroy stated that the Commission will need to see a plan of what the job will entail. Mr. Wexler presented some photos of the trail and has an application. Mr. Conroy asked how wide the trail was and Mr. Wexler stated that in some areas it is probably six feet and goes down to three feet. Mr. Noel asked how long it was and Mr. Wexler stated that it was 150 to 200 linear feet. Mr. Conroy noted that there is a wetlands violation at this time and this is not really a necessity as there are other walking paths in the area. Mr. Noel suggested that the Commission go out and look at the area.

Mr. Conroy stated that he would like to have Commission members go out and look at the property and then the Commission can make a decision at the next meeting. He also stated that it will be better to wait until the next meeting to accept the application.

MOTION: R. Noel/K. Stanis to table the matter to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried 3-0.

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2. Flood Damage Repair, Seymour Land Trust, Chatfield Street

Alex Danka, President of Seymour Land Trust was present and stated that Don Smith and Mike Horbal have suggested some changes. He presented maps and stated that the Town did some work in a small area. The Town was to drop off riprap to repair the area. He stated that the Land Trust has gone out to bid for the work and he will be reviewing the bids with Mr. Horbal and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Conroy stated that he will contact the First Selectman and Public Works Director regarding this matter. These plans have already been approved by Planning & Zoning and the concern is to protect the wetlands.

Michael Horbal was present and stated that he has spoken to both the Land Trust and the Town about revising the property lines in order to stabilize the slopes. He stated that both parties are encroaching on each other in certain areas on the property. They need a title search of Chatfield Park which has been ordered but it has not been available at this time. He stated that the question is whether there were any restrictions when the property was donated to the Town of Seymour. If the property lines can be revised then they can do a better job on the site.

Mr. Conroy stated that he is concerned with getting the riprap on the slope for stabilization. Mr. Horbal stated that they have spoken to the Town about using the path on town property to get the riprap down.

MOTION: R. Noel/K. Stanis to approve the plan designed by  
Improvement Location Survey for Seymour Land Trust  
dated 6/12/12.  
Motion Carried 3-0.

3. Discussion and possible action, IWEO Job Description

Mr. Jezierny stated that there was never a job description for this position. The former First Selectman asked everyone in Town Hall to generate a job description of what their job was. He stated that he wrote one up and submitted it to the current First Selectman and he presented copies to the Commission.

Mr. Conroy stated that he received copies of the job description prepared by the First Selectman's Office which the Commission reviewed. Mr. Jezierny stated that an Inland Wetlands report is not being done at this time and if one were done, it would have to be added as an agenda item at the monthly meeting. He stated that every Thursday he prepares a report that goes along with his mileage sheet. He suggested that this matter be tabled to the next meeting in order to give everyone a change to review the job descriptions.

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Mr. Conroy stated that the Commission needs to know what he does. He suggested adding that the IWEO checks the culverts and detention ponds in Town and notifies the Public Works immediately in writing and by phone of any problem and follows up to insure that action has been taken. The location and condition should be included in the monthly report.

MOTION: R. Noel/K. Stanis, to table this matter to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried 3-0.

4. Discussion and possible action, IWEO Hours, Fiscal 2012-2013.

Mr. Jezierny stated that the land use departments have coordinated operations to make the permit process easier for an individual to go through. He stated that this is not an hourly position and Mr. Conroy stated that the Commission's budget cannot carry 19 hours per week. Mr. Jezierny felt that it was not the Commission's decision but the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Conroy stated that the budget will pay \$12.50 per hour for an eight hour week and he felt that four hours could be spent in town hall and four hours out in the field. He stated that he did not feel that there was enough work to justify more than eight hours per week for this position.

MOTION: R. Noel/K. Stanis, to table this matter to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried 3-0.

5. Other Business

Mr. Jezierny stated that the owner of the property at 326 Roosevelt Drive was cutting down trees. He stated that he was fined \$100.00 and the fine was paid. He also stated that DOT was going to send someone down to look at the site but he has not received any report at this time. Mr. Jezierny also stated that James Halligan built a boat house on his property on Roosevelt Drive at the banks of the Housatonic River. He also put in stairs into the embankment. He stated that he will be coming before the Commission at the July meeting to discuss this. He stated that he had sent him a letter regarding this situation.

6. Minutes

Mr. Jezierny stated that the approval of the minutes from the special meeting regarding Smith Haven Road will be on the agenda for the July meeting.

MOTION: R. Noel/K. Stanis to table the approval of the minutes of the April 23, 2012 regular meeting.  
Motion Carried 3-0

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MOTION: S. Plotkin/J. Conroy, to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion Carried: 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Maryanne DeTullio, Rec. Secretary