

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
SEYMOUR INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011
NORMA DRUMMER ROOM, SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

Members in Attendance: Steve Plotkin, Ralph Noel, Elise Wood,
Bill Banks

Also Present: Peter Jezierny, Inland Wetlands Enforcement
Officer, Eric Swift, Nafis & Young

OLD BUSINESS

CCastle hm. Plotkin stated that at the January meeting Chatfield School Project had an application for an addition to the school which required the removal of 14,800 s.f. of soil. The application was filed in November and accepted.

Donald Smith, Building Committee Chairman stated that they submitted the application in November, 2009 and it was accepted and passed to staff for review. There was no meeting in December. It was not on the agenda for the January meeting. The application was approved at the February meeting but the motion did not include the approval of the removal of 14,800 s.f. of soil.

MOTION: J. Conroy/B. Banks to amend the approval motion for Chatfield School to include the approval of the soil and erosion control plan and removal of 14,800 s.f. of soil based on new plans submitted; and issue necessary permits.
Motion Carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Repair Dry Hydrant, 3 High Ridge Road

Pat Mahoney, 3 High Ridge Road stated that there is a fire pond on the property and the hydrant is broken. He would like to replace the hydrant and remove some of the materials that has washed into the pond. All the material that is removed will stay on the site. There will be a silt fence and haybales. Mr. Jezierny stated that there is a dry hydrant at the end of the cul-de-sac and they would install a new hydrant. Chm. Plotkin stated that the Commission would need some drawing on record of where this is and also how much material will be taken out. Mr. Jezierny stated that the town engineer has looked at this. Mr. Jezierny stated that the excavator will come in through the driveway and the equipment will sit on the lawn area to do the work. Mr. Conroy felt that the town engineer should look at this and give an opinion on how it should be done.

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Site Plan, Restaurant, 318 Roosevelt Drive

Mike Horbal was present for Sunlight Realty. He stated that they have purchased the house at 318 Roosevelt Drive which is adjacent to Villa Bianca which is owned by them. They are planning to convert the house into a restaurant. He presented preliminary conceptual plans based on discussions with the owner. The site is approximately .065 of an acre and Spruce Brook flows down through the edge of the property. They would be adding on to the existing house for the restaurant and also adding a parking lot and other amenities. He stated that because of the close proximity of the brook the building and most of the parking lot is within the 100 foot setback area. The excavation would be minimal and they are making every effort to stay away from the brook. He stated that the plan does not show septic system or drainage. He did explain what the plans would be for that but does not have the specifics at this time.

Chm. Plotkin stated that the members will schedule a site walk and contact Mr. Horbal to arrange them.

NEW BUSINESS

Town House Development, Old Drive and George Street

Mr. Plotkin recused himself from hearing this matter and Mr. Conroy took over the meeting. Jim Swift, Engineer, stated that Mr. Galligan did a review for P&Z and based on that they have moved the driveway a little further and one unit has also been moved. He stated that P&Z had a public hearing scheduled but they asked to have it put off so that they could revise the plans. They have revised the plans and have met with Mr. Galligan but he has not had a chance to look at the drawings or calculations. The detention pond has been redesigned to act more as a retention pond. They have added galleys that will take the runoff from several watershed areas on the site. Mr. Conroy asked if the out flow is the same as Walgreen's and Mr. Swift stated that it was and they are using the same headwall. Mr. Noel asked if the pond will be deeper and Mr. Swift stated that it will be deeper and have approximately 25% more volume. The matter will be tabled to the next meeting.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Chm. Plotkin stated that a letter was received from Atty. Fred Stanek in response to comments made by Atty. Steve Kulis regarding the Seymour WPCA being exempt from applying for a permit to conduct activities within an easement area along Bladens Brook tributary. He read the letter into the record (copy attached) and it was his opinion that the Inland Wetlands Commission does have jurisdiction and an application should be submitted to the Commission. Mr. Plotkin stated that the Commission is within their right and is willing to waive the fee and is only looking to have an application on file to know what is being done there.

MINUTES

MOTION: J. Conroy/B. Banks to accept the minutes of the 3/22/10 meeting
Motion Carried 5-0.

MOTION: B.Banks/E. Wood, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion Carried: 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Maryanne DeTullio, Rec. Secretary