

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
SEYMOUR INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2010
NORMA DRUMMER ROOM, SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

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

Also Present: Peter Jezierny, Inland Wetlands Enforcement
Officer, Jim Galligan, Nafis & Young

NEW BUSINESS

Kayak Launching Ramp, Four Mile Brook

Justin Zrelak, Ajello Farm Road stated he is working on his Eagle scout project and would like to create a kayak launching ramp at the intersection of Route 188 and Route 34. He presented a drawing of his proposed ramp and explained that he would use either railroad ties or old telephone poles for some of the materials. The ramp would go from the upper parking area to the lower path. He stated that the ramp would make it easier for people to access the area. Mr. Galligan suggested that he use some other materials that are not creosole treated. He stated that he expected the project to take approximately 90 days to complete.

MOTION: E. Wood/B. Banks to waive the application fee.
Motion Carried 5-0.

MOTION: J.Conroy/E. Wood to approve the plan
Motion Carried 5-0.

Seymour WPCA, Relocation of Sewer Line, Evening Star Drive

Mr. Galligan stated that the easement agreement has not been finalized and he recommended that the matter be tabled.

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

Town House Development, Old Drive and George Street

Mr. Plotkin recused himself from hearing this matter. Jim Swift representing the applicant stated that this is a proposed multi-family development on George Street on the hilltop above Walgreen's. There are no wetlands on the parcel and the property falls away fairly steeply. He stated that most of the drainage will go down to Little River. It will discharge down to a sediment basin through a condiment pipe to Little

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River. He stated that portions of the construction will be within the 100 foot upland review area. He stated that the storm water detention is not really an issue with this project. They will be doing water quality measures to make sure that it is clean water and filtered. He stated that they are putting in several basins and infiltrators to take the flow away from George Street. All the drainage will be taken down the hill into a planted mitigation basin.

Mr. Conroy felt that the town engineer should review this to make sure that there is cool water going down. Mr. Galligan suggested that the Commission accept the application and table any action until the details can be worked out and reviewed.

MOTION: B. Banks/E. Wood to accept the application.
Motion Carried 5-0.

MOTION: E. Wood/R. Noel, to table the application.
Motion Carried 5-0.

Seymour Land Trust, Legion Pool

Alex Danka, Vice President of the Land Trust stated that they are having a problem with sand and silt filling up Legion Pool. He stated that they have tried to clean it out but something needs to be done so that the problem does not keep happening. He stated that he does not know where it is coming from. Mr. Conroy stated that this is a poorly designed pool and he stated that upstream development and road sands come down into the brook. Mr. Galligan stated that a well crafted sediment pond would be the best solution or a couple of sediment pools but those are high maintenance items that would have to be cleaned out several times a year. He stated that he could meet at the site and suggest some work and activities that could be done to help mitigate the situation.

MOTION: E. Wood/B. Banks to add Bryson Avenue and Permits for WPCA to the agenda.
Motion Carried 5-0.

Bryson Avenue

Mr. Jezierny stated that they will be putting in a new catchbasin on Bryson Avenuen and will be cutting across the road to do the work.

MOTION: J. Conroy/B.Banks to approve the Bryson Avenue catchbasin.
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Permits for WPCA

Mr. Galligan stated that he put together a map so everyone would know where they are going to be working. The Sewer Commission feels that they should not have to make application but this Commission feels that they need to. Atty. S. Kulis stated that there is a Connecticut General Statute which states that if a subdivision has been approved and the easement assists residential use they do not have to come under the authority of the Town. He stated that this subdivision was approved prior to 1974. There was some issue with what was being discussed and Mr. Galligan suggested tabling this matter until the Commission's counsel can be present.

Atty. Kulis stated that he is addressing the Bladen's Brook issue which was the correspondence he received from the Commission's counsel. He stated that based on his interpretation of the State statute this area is not subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission. Mr. Plotkin stated that the Commission wants to discuss all the easements in town and the responsibility of the WPCA to pull permits. Atty. Kulis stated that the letter he received only referred to the easement on the Bladen's Brook and that is the only issue that he is at the meeting to discuss.

MOTION: J. Conroy/B. Banks to table this matter.
Motion Carried 5-0.

MINUTES

It was noted that the correct name of the attorney at the 2/4/10 special meeting was Attorney Matthew Rinalli. Also Mr. Noel was not present at that meeting.

MOTION: B. Banks/J. Conroy to accept the minutes of the 2/4/10 meeting as corrected.
Motion Carried 5-0.

MOTION: B. Banks/E. Wood to approve the minutes of the 1/25/10 meeting.
Motion Carried 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Jezierny stated that the clean up of the Bladen's Book dam is complete. He also stated that he attended an FOI seminar. He received a letter from O&G on long term filling on the Naugatuck River. Mr. Jezierny stated that the inland-wetlands watercourse act was amended by the legislature that wetlands permits will be good for six years instead of five.

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Mr. Jezierny stated that William Lane project has some minor items that need to be taken care of. He stated that the planting plan has been modified and the number of plants reduced.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Maryanne DeTullio, Rec. Secretary