

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR IWWC MEETING**  
**MAY 4, 2010**

**PRESENT:** Chairman David Stein, Carole Ketelsen, Chris Ehlert, Mike Engels and IWWC Enforcement Office Heidi Wallace.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Engineer Joe Wren, Engineer Matt White, Wendy Coffin and Mark Perreira of Woodard and Curren, Tom Metcalf, Steven Smith, John King from Connecticut Water Company and members of the public.

**1. Call To Order:**

Chairman David Stein called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. and introduced the Commission Members.

**2. Public Comment Period:**

\* Engineer Joe Wren asked if the application for Stannard Woods, Lot #2 could be added to the agenda under "New Business"

Upon a motion by Carole Ketelsen, seconded by Mike Engels, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to add "Stannard Woods Sub-Division, Lot #2" as Item #2 under New Business.

**3. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. South side of Boston Post Road, East of Cedar Lane, Map 28, Lot S116, grading, parking area, retaining wall, reserve sanitary system, storm-water bio-filter and plantings in regulated area:**

Tabled until after the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

**2. 60 Wrights Pond Road, Map 75, Lot N1, deposition of rock on bank for stabilization.**

Tom Metcalf, Civil Engineer and Land Surveyor was present and stated that the bank needed stabilization due to erosion from recent storm events. He outlined the recommendations for planting and construction. This plan provides aesthetics as well as stabilization. If approve, the work will begin immediately.

Upon a motion by Chris Ehlert, seconded by Carole Ketelsen, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the application in accordance with the letter and outline dated April, 2010 from Civil Engineer and Land Surveyor Tom Metcalf.

**3. 24 Young Road, Map 14, Lot E1 & S2, grading in regulated area.**

Applicant Steven Smith was present and apologized for grading in the regulated area without a permit. He did not realize that one was needed. Basically he was trying to build up the dirt to grow grass and plantings and fill the areas that pool with water. IWWC Enforcement Officer Heidi Wallace contact Attorney Tim Bates regarding this matter and he suggested that the applicant submit a bond until the violation is corrected. This violation is also subject to the fine ordinance. It was suggested that the Commission settle on a bond and table the application until next month. When the violation is corrected, the bond will be returned to the applicant. Chris Ehlert stated that he felt this was a little harsh. Chairman Stein stated that the pile of dirt is 35' from the wetland, if not closer. Heidi Wallace pointed out that this is the area where there is already a lot of flooding and this should be looked at very carefully. A memo was received from ZEO Nancy Rudek regarding this application and she states that there may also be some Zoning issues because the property maybe in the flood zone.

A motion was made by Chris Ehlert to table this application pending further information from the ZEO and have the applicant work with Heidi Wallace to get the soil secured and stabilized. There was no second to the motion.

At 7:39 the Regular Meeting was adjourned to the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:05 p.m.

Continuation of 24 Young Road: Heidi Wallace stated her concern about the filling of areas where water pools. If these areas are filled, the water will flow onto someone else's property. Chairman Stein stated that he feels the pile of dirt should be removed from where it is and be moved to more than 100' from the wetland. He further stated that he feels the applicant should hire an engineer. The applicant asked if he could just remove the pile of dirt all together, which he is willing to do.

Upon a motion by Chris Ehlert, seconded by Mike Engels, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to deny the application and request Mr. Smith to work with IWWC Enforcement Officer Heidi Wallace to remedy the situation and completely remove the pile of dirt from the area.

Upon a motion by David Stein, seconded by Carole Ketelsen, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to require that the pile of dirt be removed before June 1, 2010 with sedimentation and erosion control and replanting as recommended by IWWC Enforcement Officer Heidi Wallace. If this is not complied with, fines are to be enforced.

**1. South side of Boston Post Road, East of Cedar Lane, Map 28, Lot S116, grading, parking area, retaining wall, reserve sanitary system, storm-water bio-filter and plantings in regulated area:**

The Public Hearing for this application was continued to June 1, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

**4. Toby Hill Road, Map 57, Lot W3, Stannard Woods Subdivision, Lot 1, stormwater management.**

Engineer Joe Wren was present. He stated that this application is for a 3 bedroom single family residence with a crushed stone driveway and paved apron. There will be no activity in the wetlands or the regulated area. 2 basins have already been installed and stabilized.

Upon a motion by Chris Ehlert, seconded by Carole Ketelsen, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the application as submitted.

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Essex Road, Connecticut Water Company, Holbrook Well, jurisdictional ruling for 10' or 12' x 16' pre-fab structure.**

John King of Connecticut Water Company was present and stated that they are technically exempted from the permit requirement because of DPUC, but would like to address any concerns of the Commission and would like to keep the town apprised of what is happening. This is for a seasonal well operation, for summer only, that was approved in 2000. The health department wants fluoride filtered into the system. Therefore, they need to make the structure larger to accommodate this.

Upon a motion by Carole Ketelsen, seconded by Chris Ehlert, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to agree that this activity is outside the jurisdiction of the Commission due to DPUC.

**2. Stannard Wood Subdivision, Lot #2, wastewater management**

Upon a motion by Carole Ketelsen, seconded by Chris Ehlert, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to accept the application.

## **5. REGULAR BUSINESS:**

### **A. Minutes of the previous meetings: Regular Meeting 4/6/10, Site Walk 4/10/10:**

Upon a motion by Carole Ketelsen, seconded by Mike Engels, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the minutes of the 4/6/10 Regular Meeting, as corrected.

Upon a motion by Carole Ketelsen, seconded by Mike Engels, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the minutes of the 4/10/10 Site Walk, as submitted.

### **B. Chairman's Comments:**

None.

### **C. Correspondence:**

a. Notification from New Alliance Bank stating that Soil Scientist Richard Snarski will be reviewing 553 Essex Road.

b. Copy of letter from Robinson and Cole to Bob Wheway directing him what to do with Westbrook files.

c. Maintenance quote for GIS program - \$400.00.

### **D. Staff Report:**

Distributed and discussed.

### **E. Commission Member Reports:**

None.

### **F. Approval of Bills:**

Upon a motion by Carole Ketelsen, seconded by Mike Engels, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve payment of the following bills: \$400.00 to ERSI for Annual GIS Maintenance, \$410.00 reimbursement to Heidi Wallace for Herpetology/Ichthyology Conference and \$46.18 and \$27.71 to Kathleen Kelemen for Secretarial duties.

### **H. Adjournment:**

Upon a motion by Chris Ehlert, seconded by Carole Ketelsen, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to adjourn at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Kathleen H. Kelemen, Secretary