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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on November 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kent Town Hall, 41 Kent Green Boulevard, Kent, CT.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Werner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES, IF REQUIRED

Commissioners Present: Lynn Werner, Chairman; Eric Cieplik, Paul Yagid, Marge Smith, Ken Deitz, and Fred Hosterman

Staff Present: Donna Hayes, Land Use Administrator and Tai Kern, Land Use Clerk

3. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.A. Regular Meeting Minutes, October 23, 2017.

A correction was made to the spelling of Osborne on page 2.

Ms. Smith moved to approve the Meeting Minutes, October 23, 2017 as corrected. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. APPLICATIONS

4.A. Application #1163-17, JRT Construction, LLC, for David S. Blitzer, Trustee, 45 Kenico Road, construction of gym addition to existing structure, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 82

A map dated 11/10/17 entitled Gym of Existing Building was reviewed. A map showing the location of the parcel was requested by the members. It was noted that the proposal would be 17 feet closer to the regulated area.

Ken Deitz arrived at 7:05 p.m.

John Blore of JRT came forward and explained that the building would be built on slab. The stock pile area was noted on the map. Mr. Blore agreed to provide a map showing the surrounding parcels for the next meeting. He reported that there are no plans for gutters. Water will shed off the back of the building, which will be metal roofed.

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Donna Hayes agreed to provide photos of the site for the next meeting. She will observe and report the on runoff on the site as well.

Mr. Yagid moved to table application #1163-17, JRT Construction, LLC, for David S. Blitzer, Trustee, 45 Kenico Road, construction of gym addition to existing structure, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 82 to the next regular meeting. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- 5.A.** Notice of Violation 01-17, Charles Hirschler, 255 Segar Mountain Road, breaching of beaver dam, Map 10 Block 22 Lot 16.

The group reviewed the letter dated 11/9/17 from Charles Hirschler regarding this matter. Donna Hayes reported that she spoke with the complainant who advised that it seems that the problem has been resolved. The members requested that Donna Hayes view the site. Additionally, the Commission did not recall a permit for the decade-old through pipe system noted in the letter. Donna Hayes agreed to look into this pipe system as well.

Mr. Yagid moved to continue Notice of Violation 01-17, Charles Hirschler, 255 Segar Mountain Road, breaching of beaver dam, Map 10 Block 22 Lot 16 to the next regular meeting. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- 5.B.** Violation #02-17, Michael & Melissa Hrabcsak, 29 Mountain Rd., excavation in wetlands area without permit. Map 12 Block 40 Lot 14

Donna Hayes agreed to follow-up with Cynthia Rabinowitz regarding a planting plan for this site.

Mr. Yagid moved to continue violation #02-17, Michael & Melissa Hrabcsak, 29 Mountain Rd., excavation in wetlands area without permit. Map 12 Block 40 Lot 14 to the next regular meeting. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Kollar came forward and questioned whether the rocks in the trench would be covered with soil so it looks the way it did before. It was explained that soil would put silt into the brook and would prevent the rip rap from performing the way it was intended.

- 5.C.** Modification to Application #1134-16, Town of Kent, Kenico Road realignment, Map 15 Block 22 Town Road.

Ms. Smith moved to approve the modification to application #1134-16, Town of Kent, Kenico Road realignment, Map 15 Block 22 Town Road to the next regular meeting. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- 6.A.** Approval and acceptance of 2018 Meeting Schedule.

Ms. Smith moved to approve the 2018 Meeting Schedule. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

7. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

A. WRITTEN

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7.A.1. Monthly Financials –July thru October 2017: tabled

7.A.2. *The Habitat*, Summer 2017: Discussion on Pesticides and the Wetlands Act

The group discussed whether they would like to be involved in regulating pesticides. It was noted that the types of chemicals utilized cannot be regulated. The members confirmed that they believe the State is listening to any comments that this Commission has made. An informational letter was proposed that would go out to all applicants noting possible causes of the problem and the alternatives. The group agreed that they would like to utilize the letter with some modifications.

7.A.3. *The Habitat*, Fall 2017 - confirmed received and reviewed.

B. VERBAL –

7.B.1. Report on attendance at the CACIWC 40th Annual Meeting & Environmental Conference

Donna Hayes reported on the topics discussed at the conference included the right to inspect and regulation updates. It was agreed that the IWC application should be amended so that consent to inspect does not appear to be quid pro quo.

7.B.2. Revisions to the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations dated June 11, 2010.

Donna Hayes reported that there was a small change to the Regulations in 2011 regarding exemptions. Donna Hayes agreed to make the change and plan to have a public hearing in February for this amendment.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Yagid moved to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.

Tai Kern

Tai Kern,
Land Use Clerk