TOWN OF KENT INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on April 22, 2019 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 7:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES, IF REQUIRED

Commissioners Present:

Marge Smith, Paul Yagid, Fred Hosterman, Lynn Werner, Ken Dietz.

Staff Present:

Donna Hayes, Land Use Administrator, Tai Kern, Land Use Clerk

3. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.A. Regular Meeting Minutes, March 25, 2019.

Mr. Smith moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes, March 25, 2019. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Yagid moved to add to the agenda item 4.A. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. <u>APPLICATIONS</u>

4.A. Application #1196-19, Town of Kent Park and Recreation for Town of Kent, 38 Maple Street, replacement and extension of existing drainage pipe and deposition of riprap at outlet of pipe, Map 4 Block 12 Lot 4.

Ken Dietz was seated at 7:05 p.m.

Rick Osborne came forward and reported that the large pipe near the tennis courts is rotted. He agreed to try to place the pipe lower in the ground and to create a plunge pool when replacing with the same size pipe. He would like to do the work once the wet season is over.

Mr. Hosterman moved to table application #1196-19, Town of Kent Park and Recreation for Town of Kent, 38 Maple Street, replacement and extension of existing drainage pipe and deposition of riprap at outlet of pipe, Map 4 Block 12 Lot 4. Mr. Dietz seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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5. OLD BUSINESS

5.A. Application #1190-19, Brian Neff for Howard & Donna Smith, 81 Kent Hollow Road, construction of single-family dwelling, driveway, septic, underground utilities and associated site work, Map 16 Block 24 Lot 1.

Brian Neff, Engineer, came forward and submitted the revised site plans and a narrative dated 4/18/19. There will be no tree cutting between the house and the watercourse with the exception of the trees within the footprint of the house. He reviewed the proposed detention area that will be 34 feet wide. The capacity of which is designed for a 100-year storm. The plan will be corrected to reflect this. There will be no blasting, if rock removal is needed, it will be hammered. He reviewed the house plans noting that the garage is no longer below the house and that the cistern has been removed. All of the solar panels will be on the roof.

Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1190-19, Brian Neff for Howard & Donna Smith, 81 Kent Hollow Road, construction of single-family dwelling, driveway, septic, underground utilities and associated site work, Map 16 Block 24 Lot 1. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5.B. Application #1193-19, Devon Dobson of Litchfield County Pools for Jessica Turner, 100 North Main Street, installation of 18' x 50' inground swimming pool, perimeter fencing and associated site work, Map 19 Block 42 Lot 1.

The Commission found no issues with this application

Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1193-19, Devon Dobson of Litchfield County Pools for Jessica Turner, 100 North Main Street, installation of 18' x 50' inground swimming pool, perimeter fencing and associated site work, Map 19 Block 42 Lot 1. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5.C. Application #1194-19, Rick Osborne for Town of Kent, Camps Flat Road, remove debris and lower beaver dam; restore washed out road shoulder, Map 12 Block 35 Lot 15.

Mr. Yagid moved to approve application #1194-19, Rick Osborne for Town of Kent, Camps Flat Road, remove debris and lower beaver dam; restore washed out road shoulder, Map 12 Block 35 Lot 15. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.A. Email from Wendy Murphy, Conservation Commission, regarding snow management and road maintenance to better protect the wetlands and watercourses.

The group reviewed the Cary Institute informational hand out with Rick Osborne. Mr. Osborne reported that the Town uses rock salt and magnesium chloride. It was noted that rock salt is environmentally best; however, it does not work below a certain temperature. Ms. Werner agreed to reach out to the Conservation Commission to see if they would like to have a conversation about this matter.

7. <u>COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COMMISSION</u>

Donna Hayes agreed to distribute information regarding Japanese Knotweed to the members.

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A. WRITTEN

7.A.1. Monthly Financials – July – February, 2019 - confirmed received

It was suggested that funds be set aside to test the streams for salt. Donna Hayes will contact NW Conservation District to see if they offer testing services.

7.A.2. Permit Application for the Use of Pesticides in State Waters: Olivier Ponds, 103 Macedonia Brook Rd; Saltz, 1 Anderson Acres Rd.; Hilltop Pond, 14 Weber Road;

Mr. Yagid reminded the group that Olivier Pond and Weber Pond are not stocked; however, Macedonia Brook is stocked and both of these ponds flow to Macedonia Brook.

7.A.3. A copy of a letter from Mr. John D. Noneman to Mr. Bruce Bennett, Tree Warden, regarding the cutting down of trees on his property for the replacement of the Carter Road culvert.

Mr. Osborne reported that the trees taken down were all in the right of way. The maple trees were not in good condition and the others were ash trees. The issue has been addressed with Mr. Noneman.

7.A.4. "Improving Habitat at Belding WMA" article in the January/February 2019 issue of Connecticut Wildlife.

Marge Smith reviewed the information regarding oak trees included in this issue. It was agreed that this information would be included in the Land Use Office forestry file.

7.A.5. Discussion on environmentally better ways to use road salt in winter. (See above)

B. VERBAL N/A

8. ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted.

Tai Kern

Tai Kern, Land Use Clerk

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