

Bridgewater Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission
44 Main Street South, Bridgewater, Connecticut 06752
Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 21, 2010, 7:30 P.M.
Bridgewater Town Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Bob Kelly.

The meeting was recorded.

Roll Call and Designation of Alternates:

Present: Alex McNaughton (alt.), Lori Franklin (alt.), Greg Bollard, Strother Purdy, Vic Nelson, Frank Sproviero, Bob Kelly

Absent: Curtis Read, Denise Fitch

A. McNaughton was moved up.

Minutes of the regular meetings held August 17, 2010:

G. Bollard made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 17, 2010. F. Sproviero seconded. G. Bollard, S. Purdy, V. Nelson, F. Sproviero, B. Kelly were in favor. A. McNaughton abstained.

Comments from the Public: none.

Old Business:

1. Denning, 678 Main Street South, barn. Matthew Denning and Dennis McMorro were present for this application. The applicant is presenting a new application for a residential addition. The application for the barn work was withdrawn by M. Denning. G. Bollard made a motion to add the application for a residential addition to the agenda under New Business. A. McNaughton seconded. Unanimous approval.

New Business:

1. Denning, 678 Main Street South, addition to an existing dwelling. G. Bollard recused himself. D. McMorro will be doing a new site plan for this project which will double the size of the existing dwelling. There will also be a new septic system. A. McNaughton asked that the plan include the septic and reserve, stockpiling, volume of cut and fill, grading for the septic and a construction sequence. A new fee will also be required. The plans will be ready for the next meeting. A. McNaughton, D. Fitch and F. Sproviero will remain the case officers.

2. Fritz, 166 Christian Street, expansion of existing shed. Robert Burmann presented this application to the commission. The applicant is proposing to expand an existing shed. The work will include digging holes for three sonotubes in the regulated area. There is already a permit for alterations to the existing dwelling. B. Kelly will revisit the property and issue the permit in fifteen days if he feels everything is all right. G. Bollard made a motion to accept the plan prepared for Maura Frits revised 8/24/ 2010, for three sonotubes, and authorizing the chairman, after site inspection to grant the permit in fifteen days. V. Nelson seconded. G. Bollard, S. Purdy, V. Nelson, F. Sproviero, B. Kelly were in favor. A. McNaughton was opposed.

Enforcement:

1. Tappan Road, Allingham, clear cutting.
 2. Trail on Peardon and Coleman Properties.
- R. Dirienzo read his report into the record.

B. Kelly felt that there was no imminent danger to the wetlands. The Peardon trail crossings should have had a permit. They are almost at streambed level and there is very little water flow through them. At the crossing on at Tappan Brook stones were moved to get access to the streambed. Some kind of stabilization should be done to the banks of that crossing. Going forward procedures should be established to keep this kind of thing from happening. A. McNaughton was concerned with the crossing on Hemlock Road and the wood chips. R. Dirienzo felt the woodchips were for erosion control and they were the best way to handle that. W. Stuart explained that the trails were made for the use of Shallow Brook Farm. Discussion followed about stabilizing the bank. R. Dirienzo would like to contact Sean Hayden for a second opinion. G. Bollard would like improved communication when trails are being construction. Discussion followed concerning getting a storm water permit for the clear cutting. Over five acres you need a state permit to clear cut. R. Dirienzo mentioned that any nonregulated activity needs to come before the commission for an opinion. The commission has jurisdiction over any activity that impacts the wetlands including agricultural activities. The commission felt that horseback riding is a use as of right according to Section 4.2.b of the regulations. It is a non regulated use in a regulated area except if they are depositing material in a regulated area. B. Kelly wants a procedure in place so that in the future the landowners can give the commission permission to treat B. Stuart as an authorized agent. B. Kelly will send letters to Mr. Coleman and Mr. Peardon. It was felt that stabilization be put on the crossing on the Coleman property. A. McNaughton suggests that a letter be sent to G. Allingham concerning the clear cutting. S. Purdy suggested that a letter be sent to B. Stuart as well.

Procedural Matters:

The commission briefly discussed their authority over a cell tower application. A special meeting is being suggested on the site of the proposed cell tower on Wewaka Brook Road. B. Kelly will let the commission know when that will happen.

Other Business: none

Adjourn: A. Mc Naughton made a motion to adjourn. L. Franklin seconded. Unanimous approval at 8:45 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Carreira, Land Use Coordinator