

**COLCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting Wednesday, November 12, 2014**  
**Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue, Room 3**  
**Minutes of Meeting**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Falk von Plachecki, Chairman; Moe Epstein, Andrew George; Alternates: Ericka Fuery and Rebecca Meyer; Wetlands Enforcement Officer: Jay Gigliotti Staff: Gail Therian, Clerk;

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Sue Bruening and Darrell York; Kurt Frantzen, Board of Selectmen Liaison;

**A. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman von Plachecki called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. R. Meyer was seated as a voting member.

**B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA –**

J. Gigliotti asked that an Item A be added under "F. New Applications" – "W2014-2980 – William Jordan 17 Scofield Road, Septic System Repairs".

**Motion** by A. George, seconded by M. Epstein to add Item A under "New Applications – "W2014-2980 – William Jordan 17 Scofield Road, Septic System Repairs". **Motion carried unanimously.**

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2014.**

**Motion** by M. Epstein, seconded by R. Meyers to approve the minutes of the Colchester Conservation Commission regular meeting of October 8, 2014 as written. **Abstentions:** A. George and E. Fuery **Motion carried.**

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

**E. PENDING APPLICATIONS - None**

**F. NEW APPLICATIONS –**

**A. "W2014-2980 – William Jordan 17 Scofield Road, Septic System Repairs".**

J. Gigliotti distributed copies "Detailed Description of Proposed Activity" and "List of alternatives", submitted with the application. J. Gigliotti also provided the Commission with the maps and drawings the applicant included with the submitted application. He explained that the application was made for the installation of a Forced Main to cross under an existing intermittent watercourse and the installation of the associated septic leaching fields located within the Upland Review Area. The proposed new forced main septic system and associated components, shall replace the existing septic system, which was identified as a failing system by a home inspection conducted for the sale of the house. The materials submitted with the application depict the forced main to be installed approximately 42" below an existing culvert pipe within the watercourse. The intermittent watercourse travels from the southern portion of the property, north along the northern property line, then travels west, running parallel to Route 16, before feeding into the wetlands system associated with the Town's public drinking water supply well fields. The property is located immediately outside the Aquifer Protection Area, but the watercourse flows directly into this protected area.

William Jordan, applicant, explained the alternatives that were considered before submitting the application. He explained that he worked with J. Karrenberg of Chatham Health District and Mr. Karrenberg has approved the proposed septic plan. He said that the forced main design was the result of the data obtained from the soils testing. He explained the function of the forced main, the proposed failure protection measures and the procedure for the installation of the forced main at the point where it crosses the watercourse.

Andrew Dayon, of CT Septic and Inspections, LLC reviewed the soil data & the test pit information with the Commission. He also provided an example of the proposed double walled force main that will be used.

Discussion followed regarding the application being changed from "As of Right application to a regulated activity application and the 30 day statutory requirement.

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The Commission determined that Mr. Jordan's application could not be ruled as an "Exempt" or "As-of-Right Activity", as the application and proposed activity conflicted with the "Regulated Activity" definition in the IWW Regulations. The Commission directed Mr. Jordan to modify his application and pay the difference of fees, to convert his application from a declaratory ruling request to an application for a commission permit. In addition, the Commission stated that the application shall be considered "accepted" during this meeting. Finally, the Commission required the applicant to discuss the proposed work and its effect on the Aquifer Protection Area as well as the Town public water supply well fields with J. Paggioli, Public Works Director.

**Motion** by A. George, seconded by E. Fuery to accept W2014-2980, William Jordan, 17 Scofield Road, for septic system repairs.  
**Abstentions:** M. Epstein All others in favor **Motion carried**

G. OLD BUSINESS – None

H. NEW BUSINESS – None

I. ENFORCEMENTS – None

J. CONSERVATION – None

K. CORRESPONDENCE – None

L. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion** by M. Epstein, seconded by R. Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

Gail N. Therian, Clerk