

CONSERVATION AND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT

Town Hall

174 Main Street

Deep River, Connecticut 06417

*A **regular meeting** of the *Deep River Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission* held on Thursday, April 8, 2010 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Acting Chairman Tomlinson. Members present: George Atwood, Susan Board, Carmela Balducci, Ron Larsen, Alternate Michael Tomlinson. Absent: Carol Libby, Alan Mizejeski, John Szymanski, Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher. Also present: Nancy Howard. Alternate Tomlinson was seated for an absent member.*

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Carmela Balducci and seconded by Susan Board to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 2010 as printed. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

William O’Hearn/Winthrop Cemetery, Winthrop Road: The matter was tabled to later in the meeting pending the arrival of the applicant.

Enforcement: Michael Tomlinson reported on the following matters:

(a) Haynes Aggregates/Town Swimming Pond: Chairman Mizejeski and WEO Reyher have been investigating the sedimentation in the town swimming pond, especially during the recent heavy rain storm. Mr. Tomlinson noted that he checked the site prior to the meeting and did not observe any cloudy water at the swimming pond or stream. Complaints have been received downstream of the quarry and town park. Ron Larsen noted that he visited the area in the weeks prior to the rain storm when the complaints were received of the brown water. The stream on the right side prior to the Haynes entrance was brown. He noted that the ponds in the industrial park near Schaeffer Machine and Gary Mislick’s property were clear. The water starts to be cloudy near the first Town incubator building in the industrial park. The WEO has indicated that Haynes has installed hay bales and silt fencing. There also may be a beaver affecting the area. The bank near the incubator building has also been cleared. The Chairman and WEO will continue to inspect the site to determine where the siltation is coming from. Preventative measures may want to be considered in the area to the right of the driveway to Haynes on the uphill side of the spillway.

(b) Katen Property, River Road: It has been reported that a contractor may be doing some dredging on the Katen property. The Commission will ask the WEO to investigate the activity.

For the benefit of the members who were not present at the last meeting, discussion took place regarding the presentation made on possible creation of a Stewardship Management Plan for Canfield Woods.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was received: (a) The Habitat newsletter for Spring 2010; (b) letter dated March 15, 2010 with a “Notification of Timber Harvest Form” to be completed by forest landowners or their agents who are planning a commercial timber harvest and submitted to Inland Wetlands Commissions; (c) brochure from The Connecticut Environmental Review Teams; and (d) 2010 edition of the Connecticut Audubon Society’s Connecticut State of the Birds project.

Payment of Bills: The following bill was received: Nancy Howard, clerical services, 11 hours. A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Susan Board to approve payment of the bill as submitted. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

Conservation/Canfield Woods: George Atwood noted that he is working on the signs for Canfield Woods. He proposes to place a blueprint size map behind plexiglass, and a box to hold the maps for hikers.

A recess was taken in the meeting at 8:20 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

William O'Hearn/Winthrop Cemetery, Winthrop Road: An application by William O'Hearn was received at the March meeting for the purpose of construction of a foot bridge over wetlands at the Winthrop Cemetery and removal of invasive plants. William O'Hearn was present. Mr. O'Hearn noted that he will soon be receiving the final bridge plan from the engineer, together with the costs for the flowers for beautification of the area. Mr. O'Hearn noted that the Winthrop Cemetery Board is in favor of the proposal. The application containing the signature by the Chairman of the Cemetery Association was received. Concrete supports are proposed for the bridge. The Town will provide an auger to drill the holes for the sonotubes. The Commission asked that Mr. O'Hearn provide to the Commission a copy of the final plan. The Commission agreed to table the application until the next regular meeting to allow the applicant to provide additional documentation. The applicant will attend the next regular meeting.

A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by George Atwood to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Howard
Recording Secretary