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 14, 2016 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Chairman Miezejeski. Members present: Susan Board, John Dube, Ron Larsen, Carol Libby, Alan Miezejeski, George Atwood and Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher and Alternate Michael Tomlinson. Absent: Tanner Steeves. Also present: Nancy Howard, Bob Rossetti.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2016 meeting as printed and minutes of the March 13, 2016 meeting with the amendment removing Tanner Steeves' name at the end of the sentence under approval of minutes. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Zbigniew Matulaniec, 287 River Road: An application was received at the March meeting from Rossetti Development for the purpose of demolition and rebuild of existing in-ground pool on property of Zbigniew Matulaniec at 287 River Road (Map 71, Lot 4A). Bob Rossetti presented a revised plan dated 4/13/16 which included the location of the potential stock pile area on the existing paved driveway, addition of the silt fencing, and description of the activity. The proposed pool will be smaller and shallower than the existing pool. The pool will be closer to the home, bringing it further away from the wetlands. The existing fence and pad will be removed. The pump and filter system for the pool will be run out of the existing shed and piped to the pool. The pool will be rectangular in shape. The erosion control measures have been added to the top of the slope. The Natural Diversity paperwork will be submitted to the DEEP after action by the Commission. A motion was made by Ron Larsen and seconded by Carol Libby to approve the application with the following amendments: (a) The Wetlands Enforcement Officer shall be notified prior to the start of work; and (b) Additional erosion and sedimentation control measures shall be placed, if necessary, in accordance with direction by the Wetlands Enforcement Officer. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

<u>Enforcement</u>: WEO Reyher noted that a barn is being constructed on the Stanley property above the town transfer station. The activity is not in a regulated area.

WEO Reyher noted that he received a Preliminary Wetlands Identification Form for property at 21 Doane Road. A permit had previously been issued to the previous owner, Dan Bednarz. The new owner is proposing to build decks on the front of the house, approximately 100 ft. from the creek. A new permit is required for the new activity. Sonotubes will be used for the deck. After discussion, a motion was made by John Dube and seconded by Carol Libby to agree as a Board to allow the WEO to issue an administrative permit for the proposed activity at 21 Doane Road. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

<u>Old Business</u>: Discussion took place regarding the transfer facility in the Plattwood Industrial Park. A letter will be sent to the new owners bringing to their attention that waste containers are not allowed to be stored outside due to concerns for potential contamination.

WEO Reyher provided Alan Miezejeski with a copy of a letter to Mr. Miezejeski dated January 31, 2016 from Building Official Richard Leighton regarding the outstanding Certificate of Occupancy for his property at 47 Plains Road. Commission members asked Mr. Miezejeski to contact Mr. Leighton to take care of finalizing the matter. Mr. Miezejeski noted that he would take care of it.

Financial Report: No bills were received and a financial report was not available.

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Other Business: Carol Libby read for the record a letter she received addressed "To Whom It May Concern" from Jill Curtis of Bahr Road Properties LLC and Larimar Show Stables, LLC noting their purchase of 88 Bahr Road and adjoining parcels and will be bringing their agricultural equestrian business from its current location in East Haddam to Deep River. The entire property will be used for the equestrian facility. No structures are proposed to be within the 100 foot wetlands setback for both ponds and the river. The wetlands on the property were flagged by Soil Scientist Richard Snarski and survey and engineering work are being done by Dick Gates and Tom Metcalf. Envirotech will be helping to clean up the existing property. Members noted that the old roadway where Mr. Batko had the fence is on the private property and is not open to the public. It was noted that Alan Miezejeski has been using the old roadway and has been issued a warning for accessing the property. Mr. Miezejeski noted that he checked the land records and found that the old roadway is still identified as a town road; and he had spoken with First Selectman Dick Smith regarding identifying the roadway. After discussion, it was agreed that the property owner would need to come before the Commission with a presentation of the proposal for the property for determination that it is an agricultural activity and is exempt from the regulations.

George Atwood offered to step back as an alternate member of the Commission for the year, if someone would like to move up, as he may not be able to take part for a while.

A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by Carol Libby to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted Nancy Howard Recording Secretary