

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, June 9, 2016 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:53 p.m. by Vice Chairman Steeves. Members present: Susan Board, John Dube, Tanner Steeves, and Alternate Michael Tomlinson. Absent: George Atwood, Carol Libby, Alan Mizejeski, and Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher. Also present: Nancy Howard, John Ely, Don Carlson, Jill Curtis, Kevin Wakely, and Ronald Prisley. Vice Chair Tanner Steeves was Acting Chairman for the meeting. The Acting Chair seated Alternate Michael Tomlinson for an absent member.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by John Dube and seconded by Susan Board to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2016 meeting as printed. (4-0) Voted Unanimously.

William Campbell, 23 Old River Road (Map 62, Lot 13): An application by William Campbell was accepted at the May meeting for the purpose of a two lot subdivision with a new house construction on 23 Old River Road (Map 62, Lot 13). Don Carlson and John Ely were present on behalf of the application. Mr. Carlson noted that a building permit had been obtained some time ago for construction of a barn and half way through construction it was turned into a house. The original existing house is already connected to city water and sewer. There is no on site septic or well. A revised plan has been submitted which shows the silt fencing and building rectangle. The building permit was issued for the barn without a wetlands permit. The application is for a retroactive permit for the structure that has been constructed. A motion was made by Mike Tomlinson and seconded by Susan Board to approve the application with the plans as amended. (4-0) Voted Unanimously.

A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to add to the agenda discussion regarding 88 Bahr Road. (4-0) Voted Unanimously.

Jill Curtis and Kevin Wakely were present regarding the property at 88 Bahr Road. Mr. Wakely noted that they have submitted plans to the ZEO and WEO for the horse boarding and training facility. They noted that no activity is taking place in the wetlands or within 100 feet of a wetlands. A commercial agricultural operation is taking place which is as of right activity. The main barn and training facility were constructed outside of the review area. The engineering work for activities on the site was completed by Tom Metcalf, P.E. They are working with the contours to get it up to elevation. The big quarry in the back of the property is the only water. There have been no issues with sedimentation. Twelve hundred feet of silt fencing was installed. The outdoor riding area is the only activity in the review area. Discussion took place about the activity being as of right as an agricultural activity. The WEO had determined that activity is as of right because of the farming. Commission members asked that if any future activity is proposed in the review area that they present paperwork to the WEO so that the Commission is aware in case there are any inquiries.

New Business: Members noted that Ron Prisley had been present but did not speak on any matters.

Enforcement: WEO was not present.

Financial Report: Report was not available.

A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. (4-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Howard

Recording Secretary