

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, August 10, 2017 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:35 p.m. Members present: Ron Larsen, Carol Libby, Tanner Steeves, Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher, and Alternate Michael Tomlinson. Absent: George Atwood, Susan Board, John Dube, Alan Mizejeski. Also present: Nancy Howard (recording secretary), Mike Harkin. Chairman Steeves seated Alternate Tomlinson for an absent member.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Mike Tomlinson and seconded by Carol Libby to approve minutes of July 13, 2017 as printed. (4-0) Voted Unanimously.

Lessul, LLC, 455 Main Street (Map 65, Lot 3): An application was received from Lessul, LLC for the purpose of construction of four commercial/flex space buildings. Mike Harkin, P.E. of Harkin engineering, was present on behalf of the applicant. Roger and Eric Sullivan, as Lessul, LLC purchased the property at 455 Main Street. Mr. Harkin presented a copy of the approved plan for Amquest for the construction of five buildings. Wetlands are in two locations. The crossing by the rental center is existing. The site has been cleared up to the wetlands. A permit in 1990 was obtained for wetlands mitigation on the southern side of the property. Mr. Harkin noted that their soil scientist, Richard Snarski, tried the mitigation and some did not take, leaving a finger area. The proposal is to connect the wetlands together as proposed originally. The proposal is virtually the same as it was approved originally for the previous owner. He reviewed the total of five buildings on the property. Mr. Harkin noted that the applicant will present the proposal to zoning in phases. Construction of Building 4 is expected to start in November; then in order of construction would be building 3, building 5 and then building 2. The new proposal includes more storm drainage with an on-site three foot detention basin. Mr. Harkin noted that the activities are further from wetlands than the original plan. Stock piles of crushed rock are located in the review area. Ninety percent of the site will be curbed, with the exception around the existing building. The erosion and sedimentation controls and construction notes are shown on the plan. The pipe in the northeastern corner of the site had been installed by the previous owner. The current owner may have an opportunity to purchase adjacent property with access in the rear and a possibility of creation of a town road for access which may or may not eliminate building 2. Commission members asked about alternatives for reducing the amount of disturbance. Mr. Harkin noted that the current proposal is less than the original; the sizes of the buildings have changed. A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to accept application by Lessul, LLC and to schedule a site walk on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. (4-0) Voted Unanimously.

Enforcement: The school bus at 17 Winter Avenue has been removed.

Scott Papoosha, Stevenstown Road: The activity taking place on the property was discussed. Zoning has issued a cease and desist order. Trucks with material are still entering the site. The Chairman will follow up with DEEP on the correspondence sent to the property owner.

Enforcement: WEO Reyher reviewed the activities reviewed during the month. No proposals involved regulated activities.

Chester Airport: The second phase of the cleaning is taking place.

Correspondence: DEEP Notice of Tentative Determination to Approve NPDES Permit Renewal to the Town of Deep River for the Domestic Wastewater Treatment facility to discharge to the Connecticut River.

Financial/Payment of Bills: No report and no bills.

A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. (4-0)
Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Howard
Recording Secretary