LITCHFIELD INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes March 11, 2015 – 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Annex, 80 Doyle Rd. Bantam, CT

Call to Order: Chairman Robert Blazek called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Robert Blazek, Linnea Healy, Anthony Paradise, Jack Hamill, Carol Williams, Barbara Brower and Dr. Frank Schildgen. Also present were Ann Combs, Recording Secretary, and Dennis Tobin, Ph.D., Wetlands Agent.

Members Absent: Abby Conroy, Frederick Minck

Public Comment: None

Appointment of Alternates: Chairman Blazek appointed both Linnea Healy and Barbara Brower as regular members in place of Frederick Minck and Abby Conroy.

APPLICATION RECEPTIONS

1. Higgins (Rollins) – 19 Tallmadge Lane

3/11/15

Pond maintenance and clear cutting of trees

Tom Higgins wants to use an excavator to take out about 20-30 yards of material such as leaves and brush from the pond, only about a foot down. There will be no enlargement, and he will be taking out bushes and 12 small trees. The spoils will be piled adjacent to the pond with silt fence and hay bales, and will be spread out and seeded after it dries. The pond is very shallow and is about 80'X40'. There were no comments from the commissioners. Tom will wait until August to do the work.

Motion: Dr. Frank Schildgen moved to receive and approve the application for Higgins (Rollins), 19 Tallmadge Lane, for pond maintenance and clear cutting of trees and brush along the edges of the pond, delineated by site plan entitled Map Prepared for Michael Rollins, Jr. by Berkshire Engineering dated Jan. 2015.

Second: Carol Williams

Vote: All voted ave and the motion carried.

2. Litchfield Housing Authority – 130 Doyle Road

3/11/15

Replace small portion of driveway, sidewalk and site lighting

Ken Hrica of Hrica Associates and Jim Simoncelli, Executive Director of the Litchfield Housing Authority, were present. K. Hrica explained the Housing Authority is applying for a grant for a project at Bantam Falls. They want to replace the concrete sidewalks as is and replace tall lamp posts in the back of the building with smaller lamps that shine closer to the ground. A trench will be dug for the conduit. There are wetlands behind the complex to the east. Regulated activities include a small area of parking

area replacement, where they will be re-milling and rolling existing bituminous pavement. It is possible they will replace the rear sidewalk if there is enough remaining funding in the grant. They have to apply for the grant by the second week of April, so time is very tight.

Motion: Barbara Brower moved to receive and approve this project of the Housing Authority at Bantam Falls, 130 Doyle Road, for replacement of a small portion of the driveway, sidewalk and site lighting in a wetland regulated area per map entitled Bantam Falls Site Improvement Plan prepared for Litchfield Housing Authority, 130 Doyle Road, by Hrica Associates, dated 2/24/15.

Second: Carol Williams

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes of February 11, 2015

Motion: Barbara Brower moved to approve the February 11, 2015 meeting minutes.

Second: Anthony Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

4. Correspondence

- Habitat, Winter 2015

- Application for Pesticides, CT DEEP, for Floren Pond. Will treat the pond with spray.

Chairman Blazek noted an application is received when it crosses the desk Monday through Friday, so there is no vote necessary to receive an application.

5. Possible Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation: None

6. Adjournment

Motion: Barbara Brower moved to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Second: Carol Williams

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann D. Combs, Recording Secretary