

LITCHFIELD INLAND WETLAND COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2016 – 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 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Robert Blazek, Barbara Brower, Jack Hamill, Frederick Minck (7:03 p.m.), Anthony Paradise. Also present was Dennis Tobin, Ph.D, Wetlands Agent, and Ann Combs, Recording Secretary.

Members Absent: Jack Healy, Abby Conroy

Public Comment: None

Appointment of Alternates: None available

Motion: Barbara Brower moved to add to the agenda: 3a. Pullman Investment Group, 38 Bantam Lake Road, 167/073/142.

Second: Anthony Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion: Barbara Brower moved to add to the agenda: 3b. Permit Modification for Pullman Investment Group, 38 Bantam Lake Road, 167/073/142.

Second: Anthony Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

APPLICATION RECEPTIONS

1. North Shore Bantam, LLC – 46 North Shore Road **9/14/16**
Replace damaged wall around parking area with new stone wall

Ted Murtha showed a photo of an old rail tie wall he wants to take out and replace with a 20-ft. stone wall. The water is 25 ft. from the wall. He will also remove rocks and stumps.

Motion: B. Brower moved to approve the application of North Shore Bantam, LLC, 46 North Shore Road, to replace a damaged wall around the parking area with a new stone wall, Map 171/60/7, per map drawn by client.

Second: A. Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

2. Graham – 241 Brush Hill Road **9/14/16**
Replace/construct septic system in upland review area

Steve Latour, Berkshire Engineering and Surveying, showed his map of 241 Brush Hill Road. John Graham is seeking a permit because the septic has failed and is backing up into the house. He wants to expand the house to three bedrooms and will put in a new system in the regulated area. It's a gravity system, and Mr.

Latour presented a copy of the permit from Torrington Area Health District. Mr. Blazek noted this as a safety issue.

Motion: F. Minck moved to approve the application of John Graham, 241 Brush Hill Road, to replace/construct a septic system in the upland review area with no wetland disturbance, noting safety issue, per map by Berkshire Engineering dated 9/7/16, stamped and sealed.

Second: B. Brower

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

3. PurePoint Energy, LLC for Plumb – 267 Beach Street

9/14/16

Installation of 120-panel ground mount solar array

Frederick Plumb, 267 Beach Street, said he would like to cover 100% of the power needs on the farm with this solar array that PurePoint Energy will install. It is close to an intermittent brook in the regulated area. The panels are 16 ft. from the stream. He would like to prepare the site by filling the area to level it. He will use silt fence and hay bales. He will put fabric down, and then stone under the panels so there is no maintenance once the panels are installed. PurePoint will auger the poles for the panels in. Upon request by Mr. Blazek, he will have Dennis McMorrow take a look at it for design and bring a plan to the next meeting. He will also have Dennis Tobin take a look at the trenching for the electrical conduits.

3a. Pullman Investment Group – 38 Bantam Lake Road, 167/073/142

9/14/16

Approval for parking on Phase 2 & Phase 3 foundation slabs and on existing asphalt surface at north end

Jack Nelson showed his maps, one for parking layout and one for the demolition phasing plan. They will be demolishing Phase III within the next month and would like permission to park on Phase II at existing slab level. Silt fence and hay bales will be used for the demo.

Motion: Jack Hamill moved to approve the application by Pullman Investment Group, 38 Bantam Lake Road, for the Controlled Demolition Phasing and Sediment and Erosion Control Plan dated 3/25/10, and parking per map titled Preliminary Site Parking Layout dated 9/21/05.

Second: A. Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

3b. Pullman Investment Group – 38 Bantam Lake Road, 167/073/142

9/14/16

Permit Modification: Revise description of authorized activity

There had been no communication with the State about river encroachment, so they would like to be able to stabilize the river embankment so they can continue working. Riprap will go on the river bank behind the building. R. Blazek said he can re-issue the permit deleting “notify the State for encroachment.” They will add this language to the permit.

Motion: A. Paradise moved to approve the permit modification for Pullman Investment Group, 38 Bantam Lake Road, map 167/073/142, with first modification to the previous application to delete the condition of correspondence with the State of Connecticut. Secondly, to approve the letter dated 9/13/16 to Dr. Tobin (read aloud) requesting modification of permit #CC00001255 by revising the authorized activity to read: “placement of riprap adjacent to west side of building to facilitate repairs to west wall and to stabilize the river embankment.”

Second: J. Hamill

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

4. Stop & Shop Construction Update #6 – IW Permit #CC00001073: Dr. Tobin said they are on a hiatus in order to get DOT documentation before they get building permits. Then they will get started with the foundations and retaining wall for the detention basins.

5. Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2016

Motion: F. Minck moved to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2016 meeting.

Second: J. Hamill

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

6. Correspondence

- Early registration for CIPWG Symposium at Storrs 10/11/16

- Habitat, Summer 2016

- Ten-year Management Plan for Campville Block of the Mattatuck State Forest

7. Possible Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

Motion: J. Hamill moved to go into executive session at 7:44 p.m. on pending litigation. B. Brower left, but the remaining commissioners and Dr. Tobin attended.

Second: A. Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

The group came out of executive session at 7:47 p.m. with no action taken.

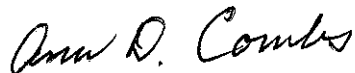
8. Adjournment

Motion: Fred Minck moved to adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

Second: Anthony Paradise

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann D. Combs, Recording Secretary