

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 4, 2011

Chairman H. Lee Reichart called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M. In attendance were Nate Trumbull, Jon Mitchell, Deborah Downie, and alternates Alisa Morrison and Amanda Lindberg. Absent were Nick Salerno and Phil Biondo. Staff WEO Candace Palmer was present.

Public Comment: Attorney Mark Kepple distributed an information packet regarding the Richard Panciera/Mary Hall Road application. He referenced IWWC regulations which states that incorrect or inaccurate information can be grounds for revising or revoking a previous approval. Attorney Kepple believed documentation regarding the removal of ledge was not provided to the Commission as part of the Richard Panciera application. He presented a letter from Nadia Glucksberg, Senior Hydrogeologist regarding potential negative changes which might be caused from blasting.

Chairman Reichart stated that since this item was not on the agenda he did not believe it was appropriate to comment on this information.

Consent Agenda: None

New Business:

IW #11-12 James Holdridge, Jr. – Seeking a permit to construct a gravel driveway and underground utilities within the upland review area to access a new single family residence with associated improvements. Property located at 646 New London Turnpike, Stonington. Assessor's Map 91 Block 2 Lot 1B Zone RR-80. *A Site Walk for August 27th, has been scheduled*

Old Business:

1.IW #11-09 Stephen Sujecki - Seeking a permit for a deck and shed within the uplands review area. Property located on 12 West Arch St., Pawcatuck. Assessor's Map 3 Block 1 Lot 7, Zone RH-10.

Ms. Lindberg was seated for this application. Mr. Sujecki was present and described his deck plan. Mr. Trumbull made the motion to approve. Mr. Mitchell seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. IW #11-10 Naomi Gobeille & Jayne Kivlin – Seeking a permit for a 3 lot re-subdivision & construction of a single family residence on Lot #1. No wetland activity is proposed. Property located at 2 North Broad St & 44 Pequot Trail, Pawcatuck. Assessor's Map 15 Block 3 Lots 17 & 17A. Zone RA-20.

Mr. Bob Schuch explained the proposed application for a 3 lot re-subdivision. There is no activity proposed in either the wetlands or the 100 ft. upland review area.

Ms. Lindberg made the motion to approve the application with the following three stipulations:

1. The applicant will notify the Wetlands Officer prior to the start of construction.
2. For thirty (30) days prior to commencement of construction activity, the existing vegetation within 50' of the delineated wetland edge not be manicured to allow for a thicker mat of vegetation in this area, thus providing greater removal of suspended solids from overland.
3. Trenching for the proposed footing drain outlet pipe be performed with a size appropriated machine such as a walk behind or ride-on trencher, or a narrow trenching bucket if an excavator or backhoe is utilized.

Mr. Mitchell seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. IW #11-11 Monsanto Co. – Seeking a permit for an extension of two (2) greenhouse buildings, a gravel access drive, modified storm drainage and a relocated yard hydrant within the Upland Review Area. Property located at 62 Maritime Drive, Mystic. Assessor's Map 163 Block 1 Lot 28E Zone M-1.

Ms. Downie recused herself from this application.

Ray Gradwell from BL Companies in Meriden spoke for Monsanto. He described the greenhouse expansion plan. Brandon Brasail also from BL Companies spoke.

Ms. Morrison made the motion to approve the application as presented. Mr. Mitchell seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Other Business:

Show Cause Hearing - (IW Complaint #10-004) Willow Point Wood Works a/k/a Philip LoPresto Jr. - 16-20 Stonington Rd. a.k.a. Map 160, Block 2, Lot 3; RC-120

The WEO stated that she had not yet received the report and information from the applicant.

Public Hearings – 7:30 p.m.: None

Regulations: Discussions, etc. Commission members discussed the Panciera application. The appeal period is over.

Enforcement Officer's Report: WEO. Palmer reported on the Tractor Store which is on their way to compliance and additional citations.

Review of Outstanding Minutes: July 7, 2011 & July 30, 2011, Mr. Trumbull made the motion to approve both sets of minutes. Ms. Morrison seconded. The motion was unanimously approve.

Adjournment: Ms. Lindberg made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Morrison seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimous. Chairman Reichart adjourned the meeting at 8:07 P.M.



Nick Salerno, Secretary