

Town of Vernon  
 Conservation Commission Meeting  
 Monday, October 19, 2015  
 7:00pm  
 Council Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 14 Park Place  
 Rockville / Vernon, CT

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**DRAFT MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Chairman Ryan Goad. Present were Commission members Jim Simon and Richard Clark. Also present was interim Town Planner Shaun Gately. Recording secretary: Audrey Lanz

**2. Administrative Actions**

**A. Acceptance of minutes of September 21, 2015 meeting.**

A motion to accept the September 21 minutes was made by Commissioner Richard Clark and seconded by Commissioner Jim Simon. Motion passed unanimously.

**B. Communications Received**

- Connecticut Wildlife Newsletter
- A letter from the Connecticut Land Conservation Council thanking the Commission for their membership renewal.

**C. Application related correspondence: IWC and PZC applications**

Application (PZ-2015-15) of Carter Chevrolet for a special permit / site plan of development for a car dealership at #160 & #175 Hartford Tpke (Assessor's ID: Map #02, Block #0158, Lot/Parcel #00006 & Map #02, Block #158A, Lot/Parcel #00004).

Application (IWC-2015-06) of Carter Chevrolet for a Wetlands permit to conduct activities in a regulated area at #175 Hartford Tpke (Assessor's ID: Map #02, Block #0158, Lot/Parcel #00006).

Application (IWC-2015-07) of Carter Chevrolet for a Wetlands permit to conduct activities in a regulated area at #160 Hartford Tpke. (Assessor's ID: Map #02, Block #158A, Lot/Parcel #00004).

- The Commission reviewed and discussed the above applications.
- Discussions ensued on the wetlands area, landscaping to be done, species that might be in the area, and how storm water runoff would affect the Tankerhoosen River.
- Chairman Ryan Goad will write letters to the Planning & Zoning Commission and also to the Inland Wetland Commission with recommendations concerning the applications.

**D. Letters sent by Conservation Commission last month**

- Letter sent to IWC in regards to Application (IWC-2015-05) of Ken Kaplan for a Wetlands Permit to conduct activities within a regulated area at #161 & #200 West Main Street.

- Letter sent to PZC in regards to Application (PZ-2015-13) of Krause Realty Trust for a Zone change from R-27 to Commercial at #34 & 42 Acorn Rd.

**E. Organizational considerations**

None

**3. Continuing business**

**A. Bolton Lakes Issues**

- There will be a forum on Thursday October 22 in the Bolton Town Hall at 7pm.

**B. Open Space Program**

- State grant received for the Strong Farm

**C. Future Activities / Opportunities**

None

**4. New Business**

- 4 tributary streams were checked with the Tankerhoosen River Bio Assessment on 10/17. The streams looked to be in good health.

**5. Other Goals**

- Commissioner Jim Simon handed out a paper with suggestions on solar regulations.

A motion to review and discuss these suggestions at the November 16 meeting was made by Commissioner Simon and seconded by Commissioner Clark. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. Adjournment**

Commissioner Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Simon. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Audrey Lanz  
Recording Secretary