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TOWN OF VERNON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2010 7:00 PM
VERNON TOWN HALL, 3RD FLOOR
14 PARK PLACE
ROCKVILLE/VERNON, CT.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Wieting, Ryan Goad, H. Russell Kunz

RECORDING SECRETARY: Blanche Perillo

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m. by Scott Wieting.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

A. Acceptance of Minutes of April 19, 2010

Motion was made by H. Russell Kunz to accept the minutes to the April 19, 2010 meeting. Motion was seconded by Ryan Goad. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Communications

Communications received not related to the agenda
Scott distributed to the Commission a letter from Mark & Susan St. Germain.

C. Application related Correspondences: IWC and PZC applications

PZ-2010-07 Planned Development Zone – Exit 67 area, to amend zoning regulations to eliminate incremental setback requirement.
Scott Wieting questioned if 60% of lot coverage changes the size of the buildable area. Clarification is needed before a letter is written.
Scott will contact Len Tundermann to find out if this issue will be on the agenda.

IWC-2010-04 Town of Vernon Engineering Department for the redesignation and Wetlands Permit for the Reconstruction of Hatch Hill Road.

No Comments from the Commission

PZC-2010-06 482 Talcottville Road, Special Permits & Site Plan of Development for Construction of package store.
No Comments from the Commission

PZ-2010-08 10 Hyde Ave (aka Lafayette Square), Special Permit and Site Plan of Development for construction of restaurant & retail building.

No Comments from the Commission

D. Letters Sent by Conservation Commission last month

IWC-2010-01 482 Talcottville Road, dated April 19, 2010
IWC-2010-02 1085 Hartford Turnpike, dated April 19, 2010
IWC-2010-03 Garden Barn, dated April 19, 2010

3. PLAN OF CONSEVATION & DEVELOPMENT

Ryan Goad will contact Heidi at Planinmetrics with some valid modifications the Commission felt should be added.
The Commission would like to be able to read the complete booklets from other Commissions.
Scott will contact Len and Marina on this issue.

4. LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID)GRANT APPLICATION

The application was submitted by the Friends of Hockanum River Linear Park.
This was turned down by the Town Council.
The Commission feels the LID must be tailored to the town.

5. AQUATIC INVASIVES

A. Management Plan

In April's meeting, Tom Ouellette had asked the Commission to gather research plans from other towns throughout the country. This will be a monthly item on the agenda.
Other concerns are Continuing Education of treatment management and boating restrictions.

B. River Walk

The river walk is scheduled for the weekend of July 10th and 11th.
Scott Wieting will advise on the start location.

George Knoecklin will train the volunteers on the proper identification and procedures for removal of fanwort in the Tankerhoosen River.
Tom Ouellette will invite the Bolton Lakes Association to the walk.

The Commission felt the town residents also be invited. A notice will be posted on the Town of Vernon Community voice channel or Face Book.

6. BOLTON LAKES ERT

This will be tabled until the Capstone issue has been settled.

7. SCENIC ROADS

Hal Cummings forwarded the final ordinance change to Scott and it is now in alignment with the state statue.
Scott Wieting will discuss this issue with the Mayor.

8. LONG ISLAND SOUND DRAINAGE STICKERS

This topic will be moved into Public Outreach.
Scott Wieting will contact Public Works on the mapping of the stickers.

9. WEB SITE, EDUCATION & PUBLIC OUTREACH

Scott Wieting will contact Aaron Nash to add the DEP's Natural Diversity Database (NDDB) layer on the GIS for the Commission.

It was suggested to use the CommunityVoice Channel for advertising and campaigning for recycling.

10. TALCOTTVILLE MILL PROGRESS ON WETLANDS REMEDIATION

No action at this time

11. OTHER GOALS

Nothing more to add at this time

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Ryan Goad to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 P.M.
Motion seconded by H. Russell Kunz. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Blanche Perillo