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INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION (IWC)
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012, 6:30 PM
THIRD FLOOR, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MEMORIAL BUILDING, TOWN HALL
14 PARK PLACE
ROCKVILLE/VERNON. CT

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Kalina, Jeffrey Pescosolido, Frank Galat, Lynda Morhardt

STAFF PRESENT: Len Tundermann, Town Planner
Craig Perry, Wetlands Enforcement Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Jeffrey Pescosolido.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

2.1 Communications received not related to Agenda items.

Connecticut Wildlife November / December issue.

2.2 Acceptance of Minutes.

Motion was made by Frank Galat to accept the minutes to the December 6, 2012 IWC Special meeting. Second to motion was made by Mark Kalina. Motion carried unanimously.

2.3 Call for filing(s) of Intervener petition(s) and determination of status.

None

2.4 Election of Officers: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary.

Motion was made by Jeffrey Pescosolido to nominate Mark Kalina for Chairman. Second to motion was made by Frank Galat. Motion carried unanimously. Nomination accepted by Mark Kalina.

Motion was made by Lynda Morhardt to nominate Jeffrey Pescosolido for Vice Chairman. Second to motion was made by Mark Kalina. Motion carried unanimously. Nomination accepted by Jeffrey Pescosolido.

Motion was made by Mark Kalina to nominate Frank Galat for Secretary. Second to motion was made by Lynda Morhardt. Motion carried unanimously. Nomination accepted by Frank Galat.

3. PUBLIC HEARING:

3.1 Application **(IWC-2011-08)** of Bolton Lakes Regional Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) for a wetlands permit for the installation of sewers in Phase 4 in Vernon.

Public Hearing Open 7:06 PM

Len Tundermann read the legal notice published in the Journal Inquirer.
Marshall Gaston from Fuss & O'Neill presented a map and the overview of the project. He assured the Commission that erosion controls will be in place using hay bales, silt fencing, filter fabric, and dewatering bags. There will be inspections to monitor the project during construction which is expected to begin late spring or early summer.
Mark Kalina stated he observed standing water in the area. John Ianni identified water areas and felt thorough mapping was done. There are no plans to add more storm drains.
Jeffrey Pescosolido was concerned about the protection of the open ditches. John Ianni said many ditches along the road are conveyance systems.
Lynda Morhardt voiced concerns about the backup systems during power outages and requested the town be presented with an outline for an emergency outage plan. Mr. Moore assured Lynda that once the emergency plan is approved it will become a public document. Lynda Morhardt raised the question regarding the water diversion through the sewers not being replenished and feels the draining of the wetlands is not affected.
Janine Gelineau, 28 Anchorage Road, attended the meeting and voiced several concerns. Her questions were directed to Mr. Gaston, who responded as follows;

Q: Was new construction factored in with water removal?
A: *New and future developments have been taken into account.*

Q: Will grinding materials affect winter plowing and wetlands?
A: *The roads will be covered with asphalt – will be improved.*

Q: Homeowner's generator capacity for sewers during long power outages.
A: *Sensory modules are installed to monitor systems.*

Q: Where does the sewage back up if there is a problem?
A: *There are 4 foot inlet pipes to the bottom of the ground installed to allow additional time.*

Q: How will homeowners make contact if phone service is out or roads are blocked?
A: *Service will be made available even without phone connections.*

Q: Will blasting have to take place? Can blasting contaminate the water systems?
A: *Blasting may not have to be done, however, if necessary pre-blasting surveys must be done as well as following drinking water quality guidelines.*

Q: Many private roads are in the area – who will be responsible for them if there is a problem?
A: *WPCA will be responsible for damages.*

Public Hearing Closed 8:40 PM

Motion was made by Jeffery Pescosolido to approve the wetlands permit based upon the presentation and a finding that there is no prudent and feasible alternative. Second to motion was made by Frank Galat. Motion carried unanimously.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

4.1 Application **(IWC-2011-07)** of Capstone for a Wetlands Permit Modification for Laurel Woods Subdivision at Grier Road (Assessor's ID: Map #52, Block #140, Lot/Parcel #42).

Capstone has a conflict with IWC meeting dates.

Motion was made by Lynda Morhardt to change the meeting date for February 21, 2012 instead of the scheduled date of February 28, 2012. Second to motion was made by Mark Kalina. Motion carried unanimously.

4.2 Receipt of Application.

Mt. Vernon Drive – Town of Vernon/EKE Associates.

Motion was made by Mark Kalina to receive the application and decide if the activity is significant once material is reviewed. Second to motion made by Lynda Morhardt. Motion carried unanimously.

4.3 Status of Cease & Correct Orders.

- 199 Tunnel Road – No Action.
- Talcottville Mill, 47 Main Street – Ref: Letter dated December 22, 2011 from Department Corps of Engineers to Vern, LLC.

4.4 Wetlands Enforcement Officer – Report.

Ref: Letter dated December 20, 2011 from Craig Perry (Cease & Desist Order) to 21 Terrace Drive
Ref: Letter dated December 29, 2011 from Craig Perry (Violation Notice) to 19 Overlook Drive.

4.5 Inland Wetland Agent – Report

No Action.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Jeffrey Pescosolido to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 PM. Second to motion was made by Mark Kalina. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Blanche Perillo

Blanche Perillo, Recording Secretary