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**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Town of Vernon**  
**Inland Wetlands Commission (IWC)**  
Tuesday, December 13, 2016, 7:00 p.m.  
Probate Conference Room, 1st Floor  
Vernon Memorial Building  
14 Park Place  
Rockville/Vernon, CT

**APPROVED MINUTES**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Lynda Morhardt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also in attendance were Robert Lewis and Ronald Kane. Staff members present were Marina Rodriguez, Town Planner; Craig Perry, Town Wetlands Agent; Shaun Gately, Economic Development Coordinator; and David Smith, Town Engineer joined the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

2. Administrative Actions

2.1 Communications received not related to Agenda Items.  
None

2.2 Acceptance of Minutes.

*Mr. Kane made a motion seconded by Mr. Lewis to accept the November 22, 2016, minutes as submitted. Motion passed unanimously with one abstention.*

2.3 Call for filing(s) of Intervener petition(s) and determination of status.  
None

2.4 Annual Meeting Schedule

*Mr. Kane made a motion seconded by Mr. Lewis to accept the 2017 meeting schedule as submitted.*

3. Public Hearing/Action

3.1 Extension of public hearing for Application [IWC-2016-05] of Richard Korris for a Wetlands Permit to conduct activities in a regulated area for #129 Talcottville Road (Assessor's ID: Map #02, Block #0004, Lot/Parcel #00078).

Richard Korris, applicant, and Jeff Bord, Professional Engineer, Kimberly Lesay, Environmental Specialist, and John Mancini, Principle of BL Companies, Inc. appeared with the applicant. Mr. Bord discussed alternatives to the original plans and presented changes made to revised plan dated November 14, 2016, including basement, parking, drainage, vegetation, property buffer, conservation easement, treating water quality. Further discussion took place regarding slope, foundation, flood plain, and conservation area. Ms. Lesay discussed potential vernal pool and conservation area, distributed copies of her report summarizing comments pertaining to the application.

Public Comments:

Ann Letendre, 29 Gottier Drive was pleased with the extension of the conservation easement and effort to keep river clean, questioned cleaning and maintenance schedule and lack of enforceability. Mr. Korris responded that as potential owner of the property, he would be responsible for maintenance. Expanded space for trail was explained.

Mike Winkler, 20 Gottier Drive had questions regarding ownership of property and who would be responsible for maintenance.

Staff Comments:

Mr. Perry commended BL for the legible plans and suggested stipulations for application. Discussion took place.

Public hearing was closed at 8:26 p.m.

Commission took a brief recess, meeting reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

*Having been satisfied that there will be no adverse effects to the wetlands based on expert testimony and that the water quality will ultimately be improved, Chairperson Morhardt made a motion seconded by Mr. Kane to approve Application [IWC-2016-05] of Richard Korris for a Wetlands Permit to conduct activities in a regulated area for #129 Talcottville Road (Assessor's ID: Map #02, Block #0004, Lot/Parcel #00078) with the following stipulations: 1. The fill Schedule EC2, Note 7 will conform to DOT 817 for clean fill; 2. Schedule EC2, Note 5, the pavement be left as long as possible to enable the continued collection of water to reduce erosion; 3. Expand conservation easement at toe of slopes on the North and West border; 4. Add board on board fence at Northeast top slope to collect debris; 5. Rip rap to be included on plans at end of state discharge; 6. Placards be placed on mature trees noting conservation area; 7. Copies of maintenance schedule for storm water*

*system be scanned and sent to Wetland Enforcement Officer as generated. Motion passed unanimously.*

4. Status of Cease & Correct Orders

None

5. Discussion/Action and Additional Business

5.1 Receipt of Application and Determination of Significance.

None

5.2 Wetlands Enforcement Officer – Report

Wetland Enforcement Officer distributed IWC Project Status Report dated December 2016 and discussed updates.

5.3 Inland Wetlands Agent – Report

None

Commission noted that the December 27, 2016, meeting is cancelled.

6. Adjournment

*Mr. Kane made a motion seconded by Chairperson Morhardt to adjourn 9:07 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted

*Susan Hewett*

Recording Secretary