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TOWN OF VERNON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2009 7:00 PM
THIRD FLOOR
VERNON TOWN HALL
14 PARK PLACE
ROCKVILLE/VERNON, CT.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Wieting, Thomas Ouellette, H. Russell Kunz,
Judy Hany, (alternate for Lawrence Geissler, Jr.),
Ryan Goad, (alternate for Scott Sierakowski)

STAFF PRESENT: Marina Rogriquez, CED Coordinator, Assistant Town Planner

RECORDING SECRETARY: Blanche Perillo

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Scott Wieting.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

A. Acceptance of Minutes of May 18, 2009

Spelling errors will be corrected and minutes will be resubmitted.

Motion was made by Scott Wieting to accept the minutes to the May 18, 2008 meeting with the spelling changes made. Motion was seconded by Thomas Ouellette. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Communications

Communications received not related to the agenda.

Scott read aloud an email received from Craig Perry, Wetlands Enforcement Officer regarding 205 Warren Avenue. Craig felt the area was within the limits of the approved plan.

Craig was aware of the water garden being increased in size through additional excavation and will monitor the site.

At the site Thomas Ouellette observed fill which included chunks of asphalt. This concerned Thomas as it may have potential impact to the brook or the water table. The Commission would like to know where the fill originated and if other contaminants are included in the fill. Is this acceptable? Will this fill be buried within certain limits of the wetlands area or an isolated area? This issue should be brought to the attention of the IWC Commission. Thomas will email Craig Perry and copy Marina to advise the Wetland Commission of his observations.

C. Application related Correspondences: IWC and PZC applications

No new IWC applications scheduled.

The Public Hearing for Ticket Network (**IWC-2009-02**) will continue at the June 23, 2009 IWC meeting.

Cease and Correct orders are still in process. (Daniels Mill & Talcottville Mill)

The PZC next meeting is June 18, 2009.

421 Lake Street Public Hearing will be continued.

This is a proposed sub division and there is no impact to the wetlands.

117 Vernon Ave will be received at this meeting.

D. Letters Sent by Conservation Commission last month

A letter was sent to Mayor McCoy in support of the funding for the milfoil problem in the area.

3. MATURE TREES

This issue has been tabled at the PZC meeting.

Exit 67 – aquifer protection zone – The zoning regulation language had been changed. The Commission will work on having this language changed back to the original wording.

Marina will contact Town Planner, Len Tundermann, for assistance in getting these issues on the agenda at the next PZC meeting as old business.

4. NATURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY FOR '09 PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

A decision was made at the PZC meeting to hire a consultant from Plaimetrics. The Commission would like to work with the consultant to discuss questions to add to the survey. In addition, the Commission would like to invite Jane Seymour to a meeting to discuss how to manage open space to support habitat. It was also mentioned to contact the Nature Conservatory for suggestions along with George Knoecklein, PhD., a consultant from Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC. Scott Wieting will touch base with Len Tundermann to coordinate the process of the survey.

5. BOLTON LAKES ERT – POSTPONED

No news at this time. Scott Wieting will advise on the status.

6. SCENIC ROADS

No action at this time

7. LONG ISLAND SOUND DRAINAGE STICKERS

No action at this time

8. WEB SITE, EDUCATION & PUBLIC OUTREACH

The membership page has been updated. New members, Judy Hany and Ryan Goad will provide Scott S. with their bio's.

9. TALCOTTVILLE MILL PROGRESS ON WETLANDS REMEDIATION

No action at this time

10. AQUATIC INVASIVES

George Knoecklein is doing an immediate survey now for Valley Falls and Walker Reservoir. He will report on his recommended short term fix. The Conservation Commission feels the public should be made aware of the recommendation. Thomas Ouellette will contact Bruce Dinnie, Public Works, to find out the status. He will email the members on the outcome.

11. OTHER GOALS

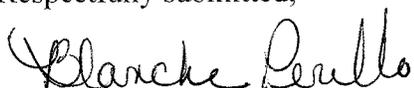
A suggestion was made by Diane Wheelock to offer the Vernon residents a free shredding day. This would reduce the tonnage of waste recycling. Diane will inquire with other towns that offered the shredding day and advise Scott Wieting.

Scott Wieting will contact Bruce Dinnie to find out who is responsible signing off on new walking trails.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Scott Wieting to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM. Motion was seconded by Thomas Ouellette. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Blanche Perillo".

Blanche Perillo