



MEETING MINUTES
ELECTRONIC ZOOM MEETING
February 25, 2021

PRESENT: Nick Lee (Chair), Claudia Avallone, Scott Fischer, Dora Pinou

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Conklin, Director of Environmental Affairs; Kate Throckmorton, Environmental Land Solutions, LLC; Dave Rogers, Anderson Septic Company; Marek Mroz, M&M Construction

ABSENT: Mike Whitted (notified of intended absence) Rick Stow (not notified of intended absence)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Lee called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

A. WET#2654(S) BEHRENS – 220 Nod Hill Road – “corrective action” to address the unpermitted clearing of trees within a regulated area

Mr. Conklin confirmed the Corrective Action Application has not been received in its entirety and reminded the Commission this property is still under a Cease & Desist Order.

With no further questions or discussion, the Public Hearing was continued.

B. WET#2674(S) WALTERS-FRANCIQUE – 129 Skunk Lane – proposed addition, swimming pool, and associated improvements, with a B100a

Ms. Throckmorton described the property and the wetlands. She noted the pool site, the small addition over an existing deck, and the B100a. With many site constraints, there are no alternatives.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Fischer MOVED to APPROVE WET#2674 with normal Special Conditions, SECONDED by Ms. Avallone and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

V. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE REVIEWED

A. WET#2675(I) AUGUSTINE – 27 Ground Pine Road – proposed new septic system within a regulated area

Mr. Rogers described the old septic system was not in working condition so they are replacing the leaching system and the tank while making some minor site improvements to the site outside the regulated area.

Ms. Avallone MOVED to APPROVE WET#2675 with normal special Conditions, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

B. WET#2676(I) CASSIDY – 368 Nod Hill Road – proposed additions and other site improvements within a regulated area

Mr. Mroz explained the project and noted hand-digging will take place to replace the foundation. Mr. Conklin noted he was familiar with the site and the plantings that exist are a model for others property owners to follow.

Mr. Fischer MOVED to APPROVE WET#2676 with normal special Conditions, SECONDED by Ms. Avallone and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

IV. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE ACCEPTED

A. WET#2679(S) ALICEA – 104 Old Mill Road – “emergency” septic repair within a regulated area

Ms. Avallone MOVED to ACCEPT WET#2679 and schedule for the next available meeting, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

VI. APPROVED MINOR ACTIVITIES

A. WET#2665(M) WEISS – 105 Cherry Lane – proposed shed 60 ft. from wetlands

B. WET#2666(M) LUCHETTA – 36 Ambler Lane – proposed extension of existing deck and overlay pool surround with bluestone

C. WET#2667(M) CARPENTER – 42 Cavalry Hill Road – proposed installation of conduit for generator and propane tank

D. WET#2680(M) ROSADO – 138 Ridgefield Road – proposed generator and LP tanks within a regulated area

Mr. Conklin provided a brief overview of the minor permits approved by staff since the last meeting.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. ATTANASIO – 47 Mollbrook Drive – request to extend deadline for Corrective Action Permit Application

Mr. Conklin noted the Property Owners hired Tracy Chalifoux to assist with the Application and they are requesting an extension of the deadline from March 10, 2021 to April 7, 2021 due to snow cover.

Mr. Fischer MOVED to GRANT an EXTENSION to April 7, 2021, SECONDED by Ms. Avallone and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

B. IKEGAME – 16 Rivergate Woods – unpermitted pond dredging

Mr. Conklin noted the deadline for the Corrective Action Application was missed. A follow-up letter was sent with a further deadline and that date has also lapsed. A Municipal Citation has been issued and the owners seem to be moving forward to avoid further fines and legal action.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Meeting Minutes February 11, 2021

Mr. Lee noted the following revision should be made:

SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS

A. SMITH – 230 Ridgefield Road not 230 Danbury Road – clearing of 10 trees, and wood piles and chips deposited within 100 ft. of a wetland or watercourse

Dr. Pinou asked that her name show on the Minutes as “Dr.”, in lieu of “Ms.”

Ms. Avallone MOVED to APPROVE the Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2021 as amended, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

II. ADJOURN

Mr. Fischer MOVED to ADJOURN at 8:17 pm, SECONDED by Ms. Avallone and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Larkin
Recording Secretary, Environmental Affairs