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TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, Connecticut 06897

# **MINUTES**

### August 8, 2019

PRESENT: Elizabeth Craig (Chair), Scott Fischer, Kathie Mandel, Rick Stow, Nick Lee

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mike Conklin, Director of Environmental Affairs; Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary; T.J. Bivona, Property Owner; Toan Nguyen; TDN Engineering, LLC; Tom Quinn, Peak Engineers; Richard Pratt, Pratt Landscape Design Services; Malcolm McPherson, Wohlsen Construction; Mauro Rubbo, Wohlsen Construction

ABSENT: Claudia Avallone (notified of intended absence)

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Craig called the meeting to order at 7:29 pm.

Ms. Mandel MOVED to SCRAMBLE the Agenda so that the Public Hearings appear first, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

# IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. WET#2567 (S) BIVONA – 115 Pine Ridge Road – "corrective action" to install an exterior subsurface pump and associated boulder riprap swale discharging to a road side ditch on Pine Ridge Road; to clean up existing culvert under the driveway, to remove the pavement on the driveway to widen on both sides and to cover with gravel, install a free form pool on existing deck, relocate a shed, and replace septic tank and pump chamber further away from the wetland (cont.)

Mr. Nguyen provided new plans with the items requested from the last hearing. The Commissioners asked pertinent questions of the Engineer and Owner.

Mr. Lee MOVED to CLOSE the Public Hearing, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

**B.** WET#2587(S) STEPHENSON – 109 Highfield Road – remove and replace existing circular driveway, install curtain drain, catch basins, and underground stormwater infiltration system

All present commissioners indicated they had visited the site. Mr. Quinn reviewed the proposal and answered questions from the board. It was noted that the Health Department has not yet approved the septic location. The Commission asked that percolation tests be done for the Cultech systems.

Ms. Mandel MOVED to CONTINUE the Public Hearing, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

### V. SHOW CAUSE HEARING

A. WET#2455(S) 211 DANBURY ROAD, LLC – 211 Danbury Road – failure to maintain proper sediment and erosion controls on site during construction

Mr. Conklin explained the violation and timeframe. He confirmed staff visited the site three times during construction requesting that the siltation fence be installed correctly as per the plan.

Mr. McPherson provided photo documentation of the sediment and erosion controls that have been installed in the last 48 hours.

Mr. Lee MOVED to LIFT the Cease & Correct Order, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

## VI. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE REVIEWED

Mr. Lee MOVED to ADD WET#2567 to the Agenda for review, SECONDED by Mr. Stow and CARRIED 5-0-0.

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The Commissioners discussed the application and came to an agreement on what will be required of the Applicant.

Mr. Lee MOVED to APPROVE WET#2567 with the normal conditions, normal Special conditions, and the additional Special conditions that the alternate pool site is approved and the plan will be revised and provided to staff with the driveway no more than 15 feet in width, removal of the play-set, removal of the temporary stockpile area closest to the road, and all mitigation plantings are installed and the area stabilized with grass and heavy hay no later than October 15, 2019, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

## VII. APPLICATIONS TO BE ACCEPTED - None

## VIII. APPROVED MINOR ACTIVITIES

# A. WET#2590(M) GREGORY – 305 Thayer Pond – proposed shed on slab and removal of 3 trees within a regulated area

Mr. Conklin provided a brief description of the Minor Application that was approved by staff.

II. CORRESPONDENCE - None

#### III. OTHER APPROPORIATE BUSINESS – None

#### **IV. VIOLATIONS**

1. TURTLEHEAD ASSOCIATION - 2 Quarry Way - several large piles of yard waste and tree debris dumped in and adjacent to a wetland

Mr. Conklin advised that an application is expected shortly.

#### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 25, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Mandel MOVED to APPROVE the July 25, 2019 Meeting Minutes as drafted, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer, and CARRIED 4-0-1 with Mr. Lee abstaining as he was not present.

#### VI. ADJOURN

Mr. Lee MOVED to ADJOURN at 8:49 pm, SECONDED by Mr. Stow and CARRIED 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted, Liz Larkin Recording Secretary, Environmental Affairs