

MINUTES - North Branford Conservation and Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency Special Meeting of October 22, 2014- North Branford Town Hall Council Chambers

1. ROLL CALL

Chairman Scavo called the meeting to order at 6:26 p.m.

Gerry Fishbach, Regular Member,
Ashley Joiner, Regular Member
Mark Perez, Regular Member

Town Staff:
Carey Duques, Town Planner, Wetland Officer
Kurt Weiss, Town Engineer, absent

MINUTES OF MEETING: Minutes from September 24, 2014 – Member Fishbach made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Member Perez and passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Application #2013/14-5, Install Geothermal Loops in Linsley Lake and trenching to tall polyethylene tubing from house to Lake within 100 ft. wetland buffer area affecting 960 sq. ft. within Linsley Lake and 160 sq. ft. of buffer area, 29 Off Twin Lakes Road, Assessor Map 4, Lot 11, R-40 Zone. Owner: William B. Crede, Applicant/Agent: Peter J. Tavino, Jr., P.E.

A letter was submitted into the record from Dr. Crede is asking for his application to be withdrawn.

POSSIBLE ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEM:

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Withdrawn

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Application #2014/15-1, Development of a propane storage facility, office and parking at 40 Ciro Road within 100 ft wetland buffer area affecting 0.5 acre (21,000+ sq ft.) of buffer area. Assessor Map 27C, Lot 39-3, I-2 Zone. Owner Donald J. Fucci, Applicant/Agent: BPR, LLC/ Attorney Jeffrey Beatty.

Members Fishbach and Joiner have recused themselves from this application.

Chairman Scavo submitted a letter into record from Krista Surprenant.

Chairman Scavo questioned the two members that are left to vote. Town Planner Duques stated the Town Attorney stated that since there were four members to open the meeting there was a quorum. Now that two members are left to vote, Chairman Scavo would like to have the Town Attorney present an opinion. Town Planner Duques stated a special meeting would have to be held by October 31, 2014 to stay within the 65 day timeline. Otherwise, an extension would have to be asked for by the applicant. They would need three members to have a quorum to open the special meeting. Member Joiner stated she will be able to attend the special meeting on October 29, 2014 along with members Perez and Scavo. Member Perez made a motion to set a special meeting for October 29, 2014, seconded by Chairman Scavo and passed.

Tabled tentatively to October 29, 2014

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NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Application #2014/15-3, Erosion prevention at 30 Walnut Lane including a request for permitting after-the-fact of the installation of 4 sections of 20 foot PVC pipe laid in a watercourse and covered with soil and proposed work including the installation of 5 additional sections of 20 foot PVC piping to be covered with soil; a total of approximately 180 sq feet of watercourse and wetlands. Assessor Map 73, Lot 28A, R-40 Zone. Owner/Applicant: John Mirakian Agent: Winterbourne Land Services.

The members attended a site walk this evening at 5:15 pm. Town Planner Duques stated the applicant needs to gather more information so therefore the application won't be heard tonight. This application is under a cease and desist order presently.

OTHER BUSINESS

Connecticut Assoc. of Conservation & Inland Wetlands Commissions, Inc. Annual Meeting and Environmental Conference – Town Planner Duques informed the members that this conference will be held and wanted to know if anyone is interested in attending. The conference is November 15th 9 -3 p.m.

WETLAND ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

ADJOURNMENT: 6:58 p.m.

Member Perez made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Fishbach and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet S. Crean, Recording Secretary

Stephen Scavo, Chairman