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Conservation Commission / Inland Wetlands Agency

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

The **Regular Meeting** of the Oxford Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency was held virtually online with Google meets video on Tuesday, November 24, 2020.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Susan Purcella Gibbons

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairman Sue Purcella Gibbons and Commission Members, & Brian Smith, Andy Ferrillo & Ethan Stewart and Commissioner Joe Lanier

STAFF: Administrative Secretary Denise Randall and I.W. Enforcement Officer Michael Herde

ABSENT: None

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS (NOT FOR PENDING APPLICATIONS): None

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

RE-APPLICATION:

NEW APPLICATIONS REQUIRING OCCIWA APPROVAL (ACCEPTANCE):

CORRESPONDENCE:

OTHER BUSINESS:

The following individuals are present for discussion on Rockhouse Hill trails:
Maureen O'Donnell, Jim Sanders and Susan Wieszewski

Chairman Sue P. Gibbons asked if Mr. Sanders would like to speak first.

Jim Sanders stated he started a hiking group on facebook which has 1400 members and he explained what types of Oxford programs that he is involved with.

Mr. Sanders stated: I have seen many changes on the trails and particularly the blue trails that has various switchbacks which the mountain bikers are supposed to be using. I have seen mountain bikers on the yellow trails recently but I haven't said anything. There has also been dramatic changes on the green and yellow trails and I haven't said anything about that either. I feel like the entire character has changed. I know that the YCC has done a great job these past few years but I feel it has a different character. The mountain bike trail on the east side has many switchbacks and lots of Mountain Laurel have been cut down and lots of trees have been cut down.

Mr. Jim Sanders then did a presentation of pictures.

Mr. Sanders then stated: I want feedback but I want you to know that I want to work together with you all and make suggestions.

Chairman Sue P. Gibbons asked: If you can send these photos by email to us with your suggestions for your areas of concern that would be helpful. I will try and make a point to do a Site walk on my own and maybe on or 2 commission members can also do a sitewalk. Or maybe one member can meet you out there.

Commission member Brian Smith: I can meet with Mr. Sanders one day this week.

The Chairman stated: That would be wonderful.

The Chairman then asked if anyone else wanted to speak.

None stated.

Chairman Gibbons thanked the 3 audience of citizens and they left the video meeting.

ACCEPTANCE OF APPROVAL MINUTES & CORRECTIONS TO MINUTES (IF ANY):

MOTION made by **Commissioner A. Ferrillo** and **seconded** by **Commissioner B. Smith** to approve the regular meeting minutes from 10/27/20. All in favor **4-0**.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

10 Robinson Lane:

The Enforcement Officer stated that he checked the site and spoke to them about a few issues, nothing major. The driveway is in and they are paving the entrance.

Roosevelt Drive- Tree fell on a wall and I gave them permission to build a replacement wall.

A new industrial building on Fox Hollow will be going in.

Romeo Investment is a 130,000 sq. ft. building and they had to put in plantings first before I would sign off on the CO.

Glendale has 4 new homes going in. Erosion controls are good and will be checking daily. So far it looks good.

COMPLAINT/CONCERN:

REPORTS ON SEMINARS, INSPECTIONS, and OTHER MEETINGS SCHEDULED OR ATTENDED NEWSPAPER ITEMS & P & Z MINUTES:

OTHER ITEMS OF CONCERN:

**COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN & OTHER COMMISSION MEMBERS
OTHER:**

**APPLICATIONS NOT REQUIRING OCCIWA APPROVAL & PERMIT
APPROVALS:**

MATTERS OF VIOLATIONS/LITIGATIONS:

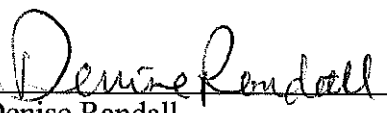
- **Notice of Cease & Restore -10 Park Road violation** (Ms. Tkacz) (Pending Litigation) 7/26/16 awaiting notice from Attorney. (Update on litigation on 3/28/2017 application denied at 6/27/17 regular meeting) (Return of record received by judge on 7/7/2017)

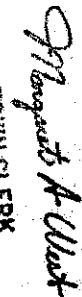
MATTERS OF CONSERVATION:

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by **Commissioner A. Ferrillo** to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.
Seconded by **Commissioner J. Lanier**. All in Favor **5-0**.

Respectfully Submitted,


Denise Randall
I/W Administrative Secretary

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