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Oxford Conservation Commission Inland Wetlands Agency

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 26, 2013

The **Regular Meeting** of the Oxford Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency was held in the Main Meeting Room of the S.B. Church Memorial Town Hall on Tuesday, March 26, 2013.

Meeting was called to order at 7:38 P.M. by Chairman M. Herde

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL: Chairman M. Herde

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Tom Adamski, Bill Richter, Ethan Stewart, S. Purcella
~~Gibbons~~ present: I/W Enforcement Officer A. Ferrillo Jr., and Denise Randall Administrative Secretary.

ABSENT:

None

AMENDEMENTS TO AGENDA:

1. (IW 13-7) Glendale at Oxford, LLC- Christian St.
2. Americorps grant from Pomperaug for trail clearing.

MOTION made by S. Purcella Gibbons to add the two amendments to the Agenda.
Seconded by Commissioner B. Richter. All in Favor – **5-0**

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

NEW APPLICATIONS REQUIRING OCCIWA APPROVAL (ACCEPTANCE)

(Coacchiola Paving -IW 13 6) -Riverview Subdivision – Map 15 Block 57 lot 50D

(IW 13 -7) Glendale at Oxford, LLC- Christian St.,

I.W.E. Officer stated: fees were paid on both applications above.

Motion made by Commissioner T. Adamski to receive both applications for (IW 13-6) Coacchiola Paving and (IW 13-7) as complete and fees paid. **Seconded** by Commissioner B. Richter. All in favor **5-0**

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

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

MOTION made by Commissioner T. Adamski to approve the regular meeting minutes for March 12, 2013 with the following corrections: on page 3 in the second paragraph stated by I.W. Officer Ferrillo should read: The Commission and staff have decided to require absorbent pads/slash smart sponge or similar technology to be inserted in all catch basins on the site. Also on page 3 paragraph 3 the word “collapse” should read “collapsed” and the street name should read “Punkup” and lastly the 2 words “as not” should be “has not”. On page 5, paragraph 2 in the first sentence the word “do” should be the word “to” and the last sentence in that same paragraph should read: “There are 2 old structures on some of the remaining properties and we really don’t want people venturing near this hazard. **Seconded** by Commissioner E. Stewart.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated: Mr. Volpe that Mr. Volpe is present with his plans for (IW-13-5), Lot 18, N. Mark Drive new residence plans that has no activity in the wetlands.

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Motion was made by Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons to refer IW 13-5, lot 18, N. Mark Drive property (new residence) back to the I.W. Enforcement Officer for final approval with no activity in the wetlands. **Seconded** by Commissioner B. Richter. All in favor **5-0**

Belmar Farms IW-12-115

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated that a letter, discussed in the last meeting regarding the requirement of absorbent pads/smart sponge or similar technology to be inserted in all catch basins, was sent out on 3/22/2013 to the Town Engineer, Belmar Farms owner and engineer as well as the ZEO of Oxford.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated: We are still waiting for the revised maps from Mr. D'Amico for 10 Park Rd.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated: (Samuelson property) he is considering donating the property to the Land Trust and Commissioner T. Adamski is waiting to hear at the next Land Trust meeting for Wednesday, March 27, 2013.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated: The wall at Mr. Ligi's property is gently tilting more forward toward the water and Zoning has placed a caveat on the land record for a flood plain violation. I'm not sure where else we can go with this at this time. I have spoken to him, the building department has sent a letter to Mr. Ligi and the Town engineer has reviewed Mr. Ligi's designed but has not responded to request for further information.

Commissioner T. Adamksi asked: Does anyone ever park there?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated: I have never seen any vehicles parked in the area next to the wall. I will speak with Gordon about this tomorrow.

COMPLAINT/CONCERN:

None

APPLICATIONS NOT REQUIRING OCCIWA APPROVAL:

JULY 1ST 2012- 2013

DATE	NAME	ADDRESS	USE
7/16/2012	Scott Volpe	19 Scott Rd.	Finish Basement
7/17/2012	Mark & Kim Reynolds	487 Quaker Farms Rd	Remodeled exam room, cage at vet hospital
8/2/2012	David Nash	16 Edgewood Drive	Bathroom renovation
8/6/2012	Mathews	4 Butternut Ridge Rd	Finish Basement

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8/7/2012	Dan Orlovsky	584 Putting Green	Finish Basement
8/8/2012	Richard Kreitner	578 Putting Green	Re-finish Basement
8/9/2012	Entrepot, BUI, LLC	7 Fox Hollow Rd.	Interior Fit-up
8/16/2012	Theodore Dunton	572 Putting Green	Finish Basement
8/20/2012	Robert Stilson	17 Jenson Farm Rd	Finish Basement
8/27/2012	Tom Pellicano	430 Tee Shot Drive	Basement Renovation
9/17/2012	Michael Krochko	1 Hickory Lane	Addition on existing Garage
10/9/2012	Robert Megara	13 Cherokee Drive	Replace Garage, Deck, Stairs
10/17/2012	Derek Gazda	20 Apple Drive	Shed
10/19/2012	James Biondi	51 Oxford Road	Handi-capp Ramp
10/20/2012	Bruce Palmatier	26 North Mark Drive	Partial basement finish/wood stove insert
10/22/2012	Scott Wolak	31 North Mark Drive	Res-A
10/24/2012	Jeff Bourdoulous	12 Old Country Road	Above Ground pool
11/8/2012	Lenny Assard	21 Towner Lane	Repairs to home from storm damage
11/15/2012	Ahmet Megmet	543 Roosevelt Dr.	Replace existing Deck
11/21/2012	Kevin Shevlin	56 Tram Drive	CO on finish basement
11/28/2012	Rich Marshall	557 Putting Green Ln	Rec Room in basement/bedroom/bathroom
11/28/2012	Wayne/Kath Johnson	68 Dorman Rd.	roof and rebuild -storm damage
11/30/2012	Modern Metal Finish	110 Willenbrook Rd.	Interior non-load bearing wall
12/12/2012	Dennis Jones	24 Dutton Road	Egress Door
12/13/2012	Richard Kreitner	578 Putting Green Ln	CO lot #3
12/17/2012	Buddy's Fuel	187 Christian Street	Use Permit
1/14/2013	Charlie Conway	228 Governors Hill Rd	Master bathroom alteration
1/16/2013	Pulte Homes of N.E.	111 Country Club Dr.	Re-Model
1/17/2013	Rose's Family Rest.	35 Old State Rd.	Tenant Fit-up
1/17/2013	Alex Transportation	187 Christian St.	Use Permit

MATTERS OF VIOLATIONS/LITIGATIONS:

1. Michael Ligi -501 Roosevelt (Town Engineered report dated 9-12-2011
Commission requested the Enforcement Officer to contact Mr. Ligi regarding the current status of the wall constructed without a permit.
2. Notice of Violation Cease and Restore Order – Susan Kupec-Jutcawitz Randall

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Drive Detention Pond Collapsed (Pending repair) Wetlands and zoning both approved removal of outlet construction and retaining wall. Not yet completed.

3. Notice of Violation Cease & Desist--- Ms. V. Tkacz-(10 Park Rd.)
Certified Letter sent on 7/5/12 by I/W and Letter sent by P&Z on 10/1/12. Letter received.
Engineer F. D'Amico engaged by owner to prepare site plan. Site plan received and sent to town engineer for review. Awaiting revised map from Mr. D'Amico.
4. Notice of Violation Cease & Desist ---Mr. Frank H. & Robert Samuelson (Under the Rock Park) on Roosevelt Drive

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

OTHER ITEMS OF CONCERN:

Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons started a discussion regarding the Town Wide Clean-up and explained she has received the ok from the Superintendent for distribution of the Town Wide clean up pledge sheets. These pledge sheets will be distributed throughout the town to schools and Commercial buildings. The project is on target and will begin April 1st, the day after Easter. A facebook event will be created by the Secretary, who will also contact the Oxford High football coach to have the players perform the clean-up on one of the Saturdays or Sundays in April.

Chairman M. Herde and IW Enforcement Officer also mentioned about sending a letter to nearby businesses to enforce litter clean-up on any oil/water separators, catch basin sumps and any parking lots and to remind folks this should be done annually.

Commissioner T. Adamski wanted to discuss the L.E.D. signs and suggested that we write a letter to Zoning to prohibit L.E.D. signs in the Town of Oxford. As a conservation matter regarding light pollution we should probably do this as soon as possible.

Chairman M. Herde added that we should add the wording: "In keeping with the Oxford's plan of Conservation and development."

All of the Commission agreed to send the letter.

Secretary had an update for Garden Homes and stated that our Attorney Olson will be coming down and going through the prior records to get information regarding the incorporation of prior records from the previous Garden Homes Public Hearings.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN & OTHER COMMISSION MEMBERS OTHER:

- 1) **Oxford Oak, LLC 360 Oxford Road** (Lot 39) (Stabilization of site).
- 2) Open Space Inventory Map. Completed by New England Geosystems
- 3) **NOV WR SW 06 007 (Issued 4/10/06) CT DEP Meadow Brook Estates, Great Hill Road** (Remove Sediment from Pond & Stream) (Letter dated 9/27/06) (Memo dated 8/4/06). Work completed, staff to monitor site for 1 year.
- 4) Town of Oxford Catch Basins (Silt Removal).
- 5) Storm Drain Marker Program (Phase II).

MATTERS OF CONSERVATION:

Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons stated that she received a call from the director at the Pomperaug Health district (Neil Lustig) regarding a grant from Americorp that is available for trail clearing within the Town of Oxford. The administrators of the grant will hire and pay the workers, 4-8 people, ages 19-24 who will dedicate up to 2 weeks and work on the Oxford trains or whatever is needed. This is a federal program and will be no cost to the Town. They have their own transportation and a supervisor. We will just have to provide the work area, tools and work to be done. This would be done in the month of July and August.

Commissioner T. Adamski asked: No power tools at all, right?

Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons replied: That is correct. I really thought it sounded great and was thinking maybe Otter Rock Property.

Commissioner T. Adamski stated: There is a couple of possibilities, one being the proposed trail down to the River in the area across the street. The other possibility, and Pomperaug would might like this, is Rockhouse Hill which is full of invasives and one of the invasives is Barberry which leads to an increase in Lyme Disease.

Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons also stated: These folks are also available for taking town surveys and such. I think we should really pursue this and we need to give a commitment to Mr. Lustig in the form of a letter.

Chairman M. Herde stated: Yes, we should draft a simple letter right now to say something like we are eager to work with them and have several ongoing trail projects that are always in need of attention and we would be glad to offer some supervision and direction to whatever is necessary to go along their efforts.

Commissioner B. Richter asked: What is needed to get rid of the Barberry?

Commissioner T. Adamski replied to Commissioner Richter and asked: Well you can cut it back but you don't want to go in there with herbicides.

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I.W.E. Officer stated: I will contact Mr. Lustig and find out if there is an application to fill out and what else would be needed.

The Commission all agreed it will be a good idea.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION to adjourn by Commissioner T. Adamski and **seconded** by Commissioner B. Richter at 8:34m. Voted **5-0**

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Randall
Administrative OCCIWA Secretary

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TOWN OF OXFORD, CT
Margaret A. West
TOWN CLERK