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Oxford Conservation Commission Inland Wetlands Agency

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 24, 2012

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 Monday September 24, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 7:31 P.M. by Chairman M. Herde

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

COMMISSIONERS: William Richter, Sue Purcella Gibbons, Ethan Stewart, Tom Adamski. Also present were I/W Enforcement Officer Andrew Ferrillo, Jr., and Denise Randall Secretary,

ABSENT:

None

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS (NOT FOR PENDING APPLICATIONS):

None

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA (IF ANY):

None

OLD BUSINESS

IW 12-74 Garden Homes Management Corp. (Schedule for public hearing on 9/24/12)

Chairman M. Herde asked the secretary: Do we have an invoice to pay for Earthworks Excavating for \$360.00?

Secretary responded: Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

None

NEW APPLICATIONS REQUIRING OCCIWA APPROVAL (ACCEPTANCE)

None

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

ACCEPTANCE OF APPROVAL MINUTES & CORRECTIONS TO MINUTES (IFANY):

MOTION made by Commissioner T. Adamski to approve the regular meeting minutes for September 10, 2012. **Seconded** by Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons. All in favor 5-0

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

Chairman M. Herde asked I.W.E Officer A. Ferrillo has there been anymore correspondence regarding the Coachiola (gravel pit on Rte 34) regarding the bond reduction?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: I had a phone message from Mr. Mike Horbal and they are going to clean up the swales and any dirt that fell onto the brook from the tree that fell. They are still working on it.

Chairman M. Herde stated: I took a walk down there and it seems to me almost everything they seeded was seeded with annual grass and most of this will be gone after the first frost. At that point, they are going to miss the boat for permanent stabilization.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: I will take a walk down there and call Mr. Horbal.

Chairman M. Herde suggested: Yes, take a look at it; most of it is crab grass.

Commissioner T. Adamski agreed: I said the same thing, that most of it is crab grass.

Chairman M. Herde states: There is crab grass, milling and it looks like what they seeded with did not come up and just the weed seeds in the top soil came up.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo asked Chairman M. Herde: At this point, you don't think you could sign off on stabilization?

Chairman M. Herde replied: I think it was unsuccessful to be honest. I believe that it was such an open, glaring sun site with a breeze on it all the time, I think all the grass just fried. The weeds might help but I'm not sure if will be enough to stabilize it.

Commissioner B. Richter agreed: Yes, got fried or blew away.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo stated: We received a letter from Mr. Crozier (10 Park Rd) who is in the process of bringing us the As-Built with the elevations. I spoke with his Engineer last week and at this time, the engineer has not received payment and has not yet started. We could put a caveat on the property.

Chairman M. Herde stated: I would say it should probably be done just as a protection from a future buyer. For the Commission to let a violation linger this long, I think it's not necessarily fair to the next person to purchase the property.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo agreed: The only way to do it is to put this on the deed and we are going to do the same thing on that property on Route 34 (Mr. Samuelson's property)

Chairman M. Herde stated: Both of those lots are down on the price range where someone could just purchase them with cash.

Commissioner T. Adamski asked: There is a for sale sign on that Route 34 property?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: Yes, for sale by owner. The owner also had a bulldozer down there.

Chairman M. Herde asked: Is anyone else using that bulldozer or did he just come in, use it and left.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: He is all done with the bulldozer.

Commissioner T. Adamski asked I.W. Officer: Does Zoning still have a Bond in place for Coachiello?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: Yes

Chairman M. Herde asked the Commission: On that matter, should we be send memos over to Zoning just letting them know, that we did not release any bond.

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: I did speak to the Zoning Officer regarding this matter.

Chairman M. Herde replied: Ok, maybe just a memo over to Zoning to let them know that we didn't feel comfortable with releasing the bond.

Commissioner B. Richter asked: So are we going to put a caveat on 10 Park Rd?

Chairman M. Herde asked: Did we send a letter to Town Council on 10 Park Rd?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: No.

Chairman M. Herde stated: We should start out with a letter to town council.

All Commission members agreed.

Commissioner B. Richter asked: What happened with the beavers on the Yudkin property (Route 67 & Christian St.)?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: Two of them are gone.

Commissioner T. Adamski asked: What about the parking area with the large concrete retaining blocks on Mr. Ligi's property?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: He has a caveat on that property from Zoning for the flood plain.

Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons asked I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo: Did we ever get the signed certified green card from Mr. Crozier?

I.W.E. Officer A. Ferrillo replied: We got the entire envelope and letter back not signed.

COMPLAINT/CONCERNS:

None

APPLICATIONS NOT REQUIRING OCCIWA APPROVAL

None

MATTERS OF VIOLATIONS/LITIGATIONS:

- 1. <u>Michael Ligi -501 Roosevelt</u> (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. Zoning has a caveat on the property
- 2. Notice of Violation Cease and Restore Order Susan Kupec-Jutcawitz Randall

Drive Detention Pond Collapsed (Pending repair)

Town engineer has approved inland wetlands applications to remove the detention pond. Client is now awaiting planning and zoning approval. (Related to tree stabilization)

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:

- 1) Oxford Oak, LLC 360 Oxford Road (Lot 39) (Stabilization of site).
- 2) 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).
- 3) Town of Oxford Catch Basins (Silt Removal).
- 4) Storm Drain Marker Program (Phase II)

OTHER:

Commissioner S. Purcella Gibbons commented on the change of regular meeting schedule which will be Tuesdays instead of Monday nights from 7-9pm. The first meeting will be held on October 9th, 2012 and will be considered a "Special Meeting" as it is within the 30 days. These changes have already been filed with the Town Clerk.

MATTERS OF CONSERVATION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

<u>Motion</u> to adjourn made by **Commissioner B. Richter** seconded by **Commissioner T. Adamski** to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 All in favor 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Randall

OCCIWA- Secretary

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