

**CONSERVATION AND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT**

Town Hall

174 Main Street

Deep River, Connecticut 06417

A regular meeting of the *Deep River Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission* held on Thursday, November 12, 2009 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Acting Chairman Tomlinson. Members present: George Atwood, Susan Board, Carol Libby, Carmela Balducci, and Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher and Michael Tomlinson. Absent: Ron Larsen and Alan Mizejeski. Also present: Nancy Howard, Ed Cappola, Don Fortunato, and Robert Doane. Vice Chairman Michael Tomlinson was Acting Chairman for the meeting. The two alternate members were seated for the absent members.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 8, 2009 as printed. (5-0) Voted Unanimously. [Carmela Balducci arrived.]

Public Business: Richard Matto, Cedar Lake Road (Map 20, Lot 4C): An application by Richard Matto was received at the October 8, 2009 meeting for the purpose of construction of a residential house, including septic and site grading on property on Cedar Lake Road. Ed Cappola, P.E. and Don Fortunato, Soil Scientist, were present on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Cappola stated that no changes have been made to the plan since the presentation made at the October meeting. He noted that the proposal has been approved by the Health District and it meets the zoning requirements. Erosion and sedimentation control measures are shown on the plan. A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by George Atwood to approve the application by Richard Matto subject to the following conditions: (1) The WEO shall be notified prior to the start of work; and (2) Additional erosion and sedimentation control measures shall be placed, if necessary, in accordance with direction by the Wetlands Enforcement Officer. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Sarette Builders, Bushy Hill Road (Map 28, Lot 11-6): An application was received from Sarette Builders for the purpose of construction of a single family residence with driveway, well, sanitary system and associated grading on property of Linda Thielen on Bushy Hill Road (Map 28, Lot 11-6). Robert Doane, on behalf of the applicant, presented the application for a single family house on a one acre parcel. An area of wetlands is located in the front of the lot. Mr. Doane stated that the plan, since it was submitted with the application, has been revised to reflect changes to the sanitary system in response to comments received from the Health District. The only change to the plan is the reserve system. Mr. Doane noted that in 1992 he prepared the plan for the adjoining property which has a driveway which goes through the wetlands. The driveway for the current application goes to the east of the wetlands along the property line. Mr. Doane noted that the house is located on the border of the 100 foot review line and the driveway is entirely within the 100 ft. review area. The house and sanitary system are down grade of the wetlands. Mr. Doane noted that silt fencing is shown on the plan and there should not be any adverse affect on the wetlands. Mr. Doane reviewed the areas which will require fill. He noted that 150 yards of select fill will be brought in for the driveway. The house will be raised up above the ground water level. Mr. Doane noted that the total fill proposed to be brought in to the site will be approximately 200 yards. Mr. Doane stated that Health District approval should be received by the next meeting. A motion was made by Carol

Libby and seconded by Susan Board to accept the application by Sarette Builders for property on Bushy Hill Road (Map 28, Lot 11-6) for consideration at the next regular meeting. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Enforcement: WEO Reyher reported on the following matters:

(a) A complaint was received from a resident on Dickinson Drive regarding somebody using machinery on property on Acorn Drive possibly affecting wetlands or within 100 feet of a wetlands or watercourse. The activity taking place was digging and removal of trees. Mr. Reyher stated that he visited the site and reported back to the complainant that the activity taking place is more than 100 ft. from a wetlands or watercourse and is out of the jurisdiction of this Commission.

(b) Barbara Scholes, Rattling Valley Road: The silt fencing is being maintained.

Payment of Bills: The following bills were received: Nancy Howard, clerical services, 11 ½ hours; Alan Mizejeski, reimbursement of registration fee for Land Use Academy training session, \$20.00; and University of Connecticut, registration fee for Land Use Academy training session for Carol Libby and Carmela Balducci, \$40.00. A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to approve payment of the bills as submitted. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Correspondence: The current edition of The Habitat was distributed to Commission members. Additional newsletters received were available for review.

2010 Meeting Schedule: Nancy Howard presented a draft meeting schedule for 2010. The regular meetings of the Commission will be held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m., with the exception of November. Due to the fact that the second Thursday of November is Veterans Day, the Commission members agreed to schedule the regular meeting in November for the third Tuesday. A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to approve the 2010 Meeting Schedule as presented. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Conservation: Canfield Woods: Essex has placed a kiosk near the entrance off Route 154. Discussion took place about possibly contacting a state forester to discuss maintaining the property.

A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by Carol Libby to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Howard

Recording Secretary