

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, December 10, 2009 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Mizejeski. Members present: Carmela Balducci, Carol Libby, Alan Mizejeski, and Alternate Michael Tomlinson. Susan Board and George Atwood arrived later. Absent: Ron Larsen, Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher. Also present: Robert Doane. Chairman seated Alternate Michael Tomlinson for an absent member.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Carmela Balducci to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 12, 2009 as printed. (4-0) Voted Unanimously. [Susan Board arrived.]

Public Business: Sarette Builders, Bushy Hill Road (Map 28, Lot 11-6): An application was received at the November 12, 2009 meeting 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, noted that the lot is from the subdivision done in 1965. The adjacent properties had previously been before the Commission and developed. A portion of the house is within the 100 foot review area from wetlands and the driveway is within the review area. Mr. Doane noted that on the adjoining property there is a culvert that comes across from the pond on the other side of Bushy Hill Road. The wetlands are right along the edge of Bushy Hill. A culvert is included under the proposed driveway to soften the grade and to prevent the collection of water by draining down to the wetland. [George Atwood arrived at 7:37 p.m.] Mr. Doane stated that there is no activity in the wetland, but only within 100 feet from wetlands. Mr. Doane noted that the silt fencing is proposed to be installed entirely around the proposed activity. The property has a gentle slope. Mr. Doane noted that approval has been received from the Health District. A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to approve the application with the following conditions of approval: (a) 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.

Richard Cooke, 215 Winthrop Road (Map 27, Lot 5): Robert Doane noted that the requirement of the approval for the pond excavation on the property of Richard Cooke was to report back to the Commission in six months. He noted that there is nothing to report because the work has not yet begun. Some tree cutting has taken place. Mr. Doane stated that no work will take place until the bond has been posted.

Enforcement: WEO Mark Reyher was not present. Mr. Mizejeski noted that there was a complaint made to the First Selectman that someone had put in a bridge or dock on the Deep River brook behind their house at 23 Village Street. Mr. Mizejeski noted that he has attempted to contact the WEO for an update on the status and has not yet spoken with him. Small recreational use is an as of right in accordance with the Regulations. Follow up will be made with the WEO on this matter.

Financial Report/Payment of Bills: Carol Libby reported on the current status of the budget. The following bills were received: Nancy Howard, clerical services, 15 hours; and Hartford Courant, legal advertising, \$61.48. A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to approve payment of the bills as submitted. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Election of Officers: A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Carol Libby to maintain the current slate of officers as follows: Alan Mizejeski as Chairman, Michael Tomlinson as Vice Chairman, Susan Board as Secretary, and Carol Libby as Treasurer. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Commission Membership: John Szymanski still continues to be listed as a member of the Commission. The Commission Bylaws were reviewed. A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to remove Mr. Szymanski's name as a regular member as he has repeatedly been absent for the past year. (6-0) Voted Unanimously. A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Susan Board to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that Michael Tomlinson be moved up to fill Mr. Szymanski's term. (6-0) Voted Unanimously. Discussion took place about considering someone to join the Board who might be interested in taking on the Conservation Commission subcommittee which has been discussed in the past.

Conservation: Canfield Woods: A Committee meeting may be scheduled in the future for detailed discussion.

A motion was made by Carol Libby and seconded by Susan Board to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Howard

Recording Secretary