

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 11, 2014 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:33 p.m. Members present: George Atwood, Susan Board, Ron Larsen, Alan Mizejeski, Michael Tomlinson and Alternate Tanner Steeves. Absent: John Dube, Carol Libby, Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher. Also present: Brian Phillips and Roger Nemergut. Chairman seated Alternate Steeves for absent member.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Tanner Steeves and seconded by Susan Board to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 13, 2014. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

163 Cedar Swamp Road, Russell Calamari: An application was received for a wetland crossing on property of Russell Calamari at 163 Cedar Swamp Road. Brian Phillips and Roger Nemergut were present. The subject property is Lot 4 of a five lot subdivision. Mr. Phillips had purchased Lot 5 and recently moved in. The lots are accessed by a shared driveway. The wetlands crossing on Lot 5 was constructed with a wetlands permit. A permit was issued for Lot 4 in 1986. Mr. Phillips is interested in purchasing Lot 4 and building a single family three bedroom house. Lot 4 consists of 3.88 acres. The wetlands setback on the map is 50 ft. The proposed crossing is 80 feet with a 24 inch diameter pipe and 3 ½ ft. fill. The reserve is within the 50 ft. setback. The house is outside of the setback. The proposed crossing is at the narrowest location. The area already has some fill which may be from activity 40 years ago. When asked about utilities, Mr. Phillips noted that it would be the least impact, possibly with pole on house side and then underground. The amount of fill is 150 cubic yards. The proposed location of the spoils needs to be added to the map. The proposed house will be at the highest spot on the existing wooded lot. Minimal clearing is proposed around the house. The lot is not accessible without crossing the wetlands. The house is located 32 feet from the property line. Water runoff from the roof is not shown but foundation drains are shown. Concern was expressed regarding concentrated drain going directly to the wetland. Mr. Nemergut noted that roof leaders will be added to the plan. The proposed driveway will be gravel with process aggregate. The embankment will be armored. The inlet and outlet of the pipe at the crossing will be rip rapped. Mr. Nemergut noted that the water flow is not all the time. It is not a defined channel and more like constant seepage. A motion was made by Ron Larsen and seconded by George Atwood to accept the application. (6-0) Voted Unanimously. The matter will be on the agenda for the next regular meeting for possible action. A site walk was scheduled for Saturday, December 13, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

New Business: Election of Officers: George Atwood proposed that the officers remain status quo as follows: Alan Mizejeski, Chairman; Tanner Steeves, Vice Chairman; Susan Board, Secretary; and Carol Libby Treasurer. Discussion took place. A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Michael Tomlinson to approve the officers as presented. (5-1) Larsen opposed. Motion passed.

Correspondence: CCM is holding a workshop on the Freedom of Information Act on January 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Essex Town Hall.

2015 Meeting Schedule: The regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. A motion was made by Tanner Steeves and seconded by George Atwood to approve the 2015 meeting schedule. Voted Unanimously.

Enforcement: The WEO was not present. Ron Larsen noted that he walked the area of the Plattwood Swimming pond with Mark Reyher during a rainstorm looking for the pipe that John Olson had referenced and did not find anything. There did not see evidence of brown water. Behind the skate park and woods there are wetlands. Chairman Mizejeski noted that the area is manmade disturbed wetland. Ron Larsen noted that the Town put in the road in Plattwood Industrial Park and the area looks good. They walked the area on the west side of the industrial park. Attention should be made to roof drains. All buildings have gulleys. All road drains are emptying into the pond. He also noted that the garbage company is storing the dumpsters on the site and which may have possible contaminates. There is an area with evidence of silt going into the stream on the Town property which should be addressed with hay bales.

Chairman Report: Chairman Mizejeski noted that Emery Gluck is trying to regenerate forest in Cockaponset near Old County Road.

Conservation/Canfield Woods: No discussion.

A motion was made by Susan Board and seconded by George Atwood to adjourn at 8:32 p.m. (6-0)
Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Board, Secretary