

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
WINDSOR INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
Tuesday, June 7, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM in the Council Chambers at Windsor Town Hall by Vice-Chair Levine.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Jill Levine, Ed Borowski, Garry Crosson, Linnea Gilbert, N. Philip Lord, Charles Vola (at 7:10pm), Agent Groff
Excused: Dean Massey, Robert McCarron
Absent: Kenneth Herman

II. Public Communications

A letter from Bradshaw Smith was read into the record regarding activity at Stroh Park, Loomis Chaffee and the Windsor Library. The letter was turned over to Agent Groff for a reply.

III. BUSINESS MEETING

A. Minutes

1. February 10, 2004

Commissioner Crosson: Motion to approve.
Commissioner Borowski: Second
Vote: 5 yes, Commissioner Gilbert abstained

2. October 5, 2004

Commissioner Crosson: Motion to approve.
Commissioner Vola: Second
Vote: 4 yes, Commissioners Lord & Gilbert abstained

3. March 16, 2005

Commissioner Vola: Motion to approve as corrected
Commissioner Borowski: Second
Vote: 4 yes, Commissioners Lord & Gilbert abstained

B. Old Business

1. Update on Cease & Desist – Norris Islar – 69 Adam Hill Road.

Commissioner Crosson : Motion to send a letter saying he has 30 days to comply or it will go to the Town Attorney.

Commissioner Vola seconded.

Vote: 6 yes.

2. Update on Cease & Desist – Roger Cyr – 568 West Wolcott. Agent Groff reported that things are still moving, but slowly, due to illness.

C. New Business

1. Application 05-739 – Carrier Enterprises, LLC. – 306 Mountain Road – construction of five (5) single-family homes adjacent to the 150' upland regulated area. Wilson Alford presented the application.

Commissioner Lord: Motion for a declaratory ruling with no conditions.

Commissioner Vola: Second.

Vote: 6 yes.

2. Application 05-740 – Habib Chaudhary – 68 & 70 White Rock Drive – construction of two (2) single-family homes with associated grading, paving, and drainage within the 150' regulated area.

Ed Lally, Lally & Associates, presented the application giving a history of the property and drainage problems and the old application. He stated that the new homes are 50' from wetlands and are smaller. Yard drains have been moved from where they were on the previous drawing. There is a berm along the property line toward White Rock and the owner of 211 Matianuck will allow them to drain to his yard if they fix his wet problem in front yard. Robert Daddario will help with detention basin. Mr. Lally asked that the application be turned over to staff for approval.

Commissioner Lord: So this eliminates lots of existing problems?

Mr. Lally: Yes, on about 7 or 8 lots on White Rock Drive.

Commissioner Lord: You've agreed and accomplished what Town staff has asked. I think you should just do it.

Mr. Lally: Yes, everything that's been asked for has been addressed.

Commissioner Lord: Motion to turn application over to Town staff.

Commissioner Crosson: Second.

Vice Chair Levine: It's a feasible and prudent way to address the problem.

Vote: 6 yes.

3. Application 05-741 – Sasportas Company – 50 Portman Street & 50 T Valley View Drive – construction of eight (8) single-family homes with associated grading, paving, and drainage within the 150' regulated area.

Ed Lally presented the application saying that as there are lots of neighbors and a public hearing should probably happen. He gave a

description of the property and wetlands indicating the water table is within 18" of the surface, most wetlands are in a pond that's changing by growth of vegetation, and that some enhancement plantings for habitat can be added.

Commissioner Lord: Motion to accept the application and have a Public Hearing in August.

Commissioner Vola: Second.

Vote: 6 yes

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Need for a site visit to the Vaca property at 976 Windsor Avenue. There has been continuing activity in the floodplain and internally to a watercourse (straightening) affecting the abutting property and causing erosion. A permit was issued in December 1997, which expired in 2002. Apparently the activity did not stop with the culvert and the erosion is now affecting the floodplain.

The Commission suggested that Agent Groff take photos and write a Cease & Desist order when we come up with a remediation plan. Some commissioners wanted to go on-site. Agent Groff will send e-mail advising them of the time.

- B. Bloomfield application – Terence Lawlor – 58 East Wintonbury Avenue – construction of 16 single-family homes with roads and drainage within 500 feet of the Town line.

There will be a meeting on 6/20/05 at 7 PM to accept, with a public hearing scheduled for 7/18/05. The application is for activity in the Millbrook watershed. Agent Groff was instructed to voice concern to Bloomfield's Wetlands Agent and to get copies of the report and mail them to all commissioners for comments.

- C. Bloomfield application – Beaudry Construction – 393 & 405 Tunxis Avenue – construction of 46 single-family homes with roads and drainage within 500 feet of the Town line.

Agent Groff was instructed to let Bloomfield know the Commission has no comments.

- D. Commissioner Lord: Motion to add item 05-742- Islamic Center to the Miscellaneous agenda.

Commissioner Gilbert: Second.

Vote: 6 yes

Christian Alford presented, addressing the fact that the parking area had been increased to 1950 square feet of pavement which had been done recently. There is no curbing on the backside of the paving. That area is not graded but just drops off.

Vice Chair Levine: The area is so sensitive for wetlands. They need to know they can't do this.

Mr. Alford: They're trying to regroup and make plans for the future.

Commissioner Lord: Motion to send a letter of acknowledgement of problem and remind them of wetlands jurisdiction and consequences if they don't comply and to turn the permit over to Agent Groff.

Commissioner Crosson: Second.

Vote: 6 yes

V. AGENT SIGN-OFFS

- A. AAO5-066 - Quynh Nguyen - 508 Edgewood - Construct an 8' X 24' deck on 15 piers and erect a 33' X 18' above ground pool within the 150' regulated area.
- B. AAO5-067 - Keith & Kim Stuhr - 74 Lancaster Drive - Install sump pump drain with rip-rap spill pad within the 150' regulated area.
- C. 99-585B - Griffin Land - 40,60,80, 100 International Drive - renewal of permit for cutting and filling part of the 102-acre property adjacent to the 150' regulated area.
- D. 05-737 - The Real Group - 60 Baker Hollow Road - construction of a 50,000 square foot warehouse with associated paving draining into an existing detention basin.
- E. 05-738 - Griffin Land - 1239 Rainbow Road/west of Loren Circle maintenance of dam, repair of berm, and installation of beaver pipe.
- F. Town Maintenance Applications.
 1. 130 & 123 Basswood Road - repair and maintenance of headwall and banks of brook to prevent any further erosion.
 2. Birchwood Road - emergency replacement of collapsed corrugated steel culvert under roadway.

VI. AGENT REPORT

- A. Agent training will take place on June 10th.
- B. Commissioner Vola has been re-appointed for another term.

VII. PETITIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Levine talked about Stormwater presentation with CROG and Fuss & O'Neill.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Crosson: Motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Borowski: Second.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

I certify that these minutes were
accepted on _____.

Cyd R. Groff
Windsor Inland Wetlands Agent

Robert McCarron, Secretary
Windsor Inland Wetlands &
Watercourse Commission

