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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION EASTON TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM A February 25, 2020 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Dori Wollen, Chair, Cathy Alfandre, Vivian Hardison, Steve Hume, Elliot Leonard.

ABSENT: Steve Corti, Sarah Cwikla, Steve Montgomery.

Chair Dori Wollen called the meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

- 1.) **#20-564-**Received January 14, 2020 + 65 Days= 03/19/2020-**76 Delaware Road, Zolov, Andrew.** Divert Stream by digging a swale and installing a berm. Andrew Zolov, owner, Ryan Bolmer and Ron Bolmer appeared on behalf of this application. Ron Bolmer presented a number of enlarged photos of various locations on the property including the bridge, the area near the driveway and the area near the northern edge of the property. He discussed installing two (2) 48" pipes under the bridge which would be 30 feet long, with a headwall built out of drystone. In addition, Mr. Bolmer stated the plan is to put large boulders and rip rap in the stream in the area near the house. Mr. Zolov and the Messrs. Bolmer were asked how this work would affect downstream properties. Ryan Bolmer stated he would still build a berm in the area of the property line, on the lawn. He stated he could install some check dams to slow the flow of the stream. Several commissioners voiced their approval of this suggestion. It was noted that this presentation had a number of different components which were not present when the application was originally received. The applicant was asked to resubmit plans showing the 3 main areas of concern: the berm area, the driveway area and the bridge with a detailed description of the planned remediation as well as a planned timetable to complete the proposal. Mr. Zolov agreed to this request.
- 2.) **#20-565-** Received February 11, 2020 + 65 days = 4/16/2020-**Banks Road- Amerakon Partners, LLC (Robert Maquat).** Construct a farm road with 2 permanent wetlands crossings. Rob Maquat, owner appeared on behalf of this application and the As of Right Determination request for the same property. Chair Dori Wollen stated that the original application had been discussed at the meeting of February 11, and that a special meeting was held to conduct a site walk on Sunday, February 23rd, 2020. The applicant had been requested to present the commission with some revisions to the application. She noted that the applicant Robert Maquat was present. Chair Wollen then advised that the Commission was in receipt of a "Petition for a public hearing" which had been received in the office on Monday, February 24, 2020. This petition contains 26 names and is under review by the Registrar of Voters to determine residency.

Chair Wollen also advised that the Commission had received a "Notice of Intervention" from Daniel Lent of 71 Banks Road on Monday, February 24, 2020.

Based on these documents Chair Wollen called for a Public Hearing on Tuesday March 24, 2020. She stated that the applicant must wait to discuss the revised plans until the Public Hearing.

The applicant questioned the intent of the Petition and of the Intervenor.

Chair Wollen read the Petition and the Notice of Intervention into the record. Daniel Lent, Intervenor, in reply to a question stated he would not withdraw the Petition or Notice of Intervention. Mr. Maquat asked if Mr. Lent was represented by counsel. Mr. Lent advised he was represented by Attorney Janet Brooks, who was present. She submitted a legal memo about "As of Right Determination" to the Commission. Mr. Maquat asked to be supplied with a copy of this memo by the Commission Chair. The secretary to the Commission was instructed to begin preparations for the Public Hearing to be held March 24, 2020.

3.) **#20-566-Received February 11, 2020 + 65 Days = 4/16/2020- As Of Right Determination**

Banks Road-Amerakon, LLC (Robert Maquat). See above item as it affects this request.

4.) **SITE WALKS:**

5.) **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. V#05-143, Notice of Violation at 740 Stepney Road--Neunteufel and VonKuthy, issued 7/5/05

B. Cease and Desist Order for property at 740 Stepney Road--Neunteufel and VonKuthy, issued 7/20/05

C. V#08-153, Notice of Violation at 68 Sport Hill Parkway—"68 Sport Hill Parkway, LLC"-Michael Newman, issued 12/1/08

D. Cease and Remediate order for 68 Sport Hill Parkway—"68 Sport Hill Parkway, LLC"-Michael Newman, issued 4/21/09

E. V#11-158, Notice of Violation at 580 Sport Hill Road--Austin Ganim, issued 5/24/11

F. Amended Wetlands Permit #10-389, 288 Maple Road—4-lot subdivision, property owner: Vincenzo Toscano.

G. Warning re: activities within 100 feet of wetlands- The MG Easton Company, Harvester Road, Easton CT 06612 issued 10/10/2019.

4.) **NEW BUSINESS:** Chair Wollen advised that the Commission had been asked to review and comment on the "Letter of Intent" from Sacred Heart University for the Town property on Morehouse Road. The Commissioners reviewed the letter and the attached map. They ask for a more detailed map showing the impact on the Wetlands, and a review of the timeline including plans for a public hearing on this issue.

5.) **REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING:**

6.) **CONSERVATION PROJECTS:**

7.) **OPEN - SPACE ISSUES:**

8.) **WEO COMMUNICATIONS:**

9.) **CORRESPONDENCE:** (a) The Pond and Lake DEEP applications for Aquatic pesticide permits (Heinhold pond, 735 Sport Hill Road and School pond, 360 Sport Hill Road [Hellen Keller School] were duly noted. (b) Notice that the Aspetuck Valley Country Club has filed an application with the Town of Weston Conservation Commission for a project within 500 feet of the Town line was duly noted.

10.) MISCELLANEOUS: Chair Wollen provided the Commission members with information from the State of CT website regarding the "Taylor case".

Steve Hume noted that at the back of the Library there was a pile of tires.

Chair Wollen advised that she had spoken to Justin Giorlando, Land Use Director again regarding the Mill River issue and Dwight Senior Property. She recognized June Logie who spoke to this issue.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

12. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS: Minutes of January 28th, 2020 contained clerical errors in the number of the Stefan Abelin application. All of these applications number references should read 15-494.

MOTION: Cathy Alfandre moved to correct the minutes and to approve the minutes as amended. Steve Hume seconded the motion. **VOTE:** The minutes of the January 28, 2020 meeting, as amended, were approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: A motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 minutes was made by Vivian Hardison, seconded by Elliot Leonard. **VOTE:** The minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: A motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2020 special meeting minutes was made by Elliot Leonard, seconded by Cathy Alfandre. **VOTE:** The minutes of the February 23, 2020 special meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Submitted by Frances M. Daly
Secretary, Easton Conservation Commission