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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
HELD IN PERSON
TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM" A"
October 25, 2022 7:30 p.m.**

PRESENT IN PERSON: Dori Wollen, Chair, Cathy Alfandre, Elliot Leonard, Steve Montgomery, Maria Corti, Dave Logie, Karin Niesyn. **ALTERNATES:** Anthony Battaglia
ABSENT: Sarah Cwikla

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT IN PERSON: A.J. Grasso, another member of public.

Chair Dori Wollen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. She introduced the new alternate commissioner Anthony Battaglia.

1.) INLAND WETLAND APPLICATIONS:

#22-625-143 Judd Road, Kevin & Camilla Schnaitmann, 2 story house, septic, driveway, received 10/11/2022+ 65 = 12/15/2022. A.J Grasso appeared on behalf of this application. Chair Wollen asked why the entrance or driveway is not from Judd road. Mr. Grasso stated it was because of the topography of the plot. Only the driveway is in the regulated area. **MOTION:** Steve Montgomery moved to approve **#22-625** with standard stipulations and an additional stipulation to install silt fencing as shown on the site plan dated September 9, 2022. Dave Logie seconded. **VOTE: #22-625** was approved by unanimous voice vote.

SITE WALK:

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. **V#21-584** Notice of Violation at 1074 Black Rock Road- Trevor A. Smith, issued 3/9/2021, Cease and Desist order. Attorney Lukas J. Thomas of Owens, Schine and Nicola appeared at an earlier meeting on behalf of Mr. Smith. Although Attorney Thomas agreed to follow up with a site plan there has been no further contact.

B. **Warning** re; activities within 100 feet of wetlands- David Harding 570 Morehouse Road, Easton CT, issued May 17, 2021.

C. **V#21-592** Activities within 100 feet of wetlands-David Harding, 570 Morehouse Road, Easton CT, issued August 12, 2021. Chair Wollen wrote to Mr. Harding on June 9th, 2022 levying a \$1000 fine without any response. On 10/7 the First Selectman advised staff that Peter

Howard has been appointed as Hearing Officer and directed staff to work with his Assistant to initiate legal proceedings due to non-compliance pursuant to Chapter 325 of the Town Code.

D.) V#22-618 Spreading contaminated fill within 100 feet of wetlands-Easton Village Center LLC/COV. On 8/23/2022 Chair Wollen and Steve Montgomery gave updates on the contaminated fill at Easton Village Store. Based on available maps it was determined that the violation(s) are valid since the fill was deposited within the 100-foot regulated area. On 9/8/2022 Dr. Huribal was informed in writing that the area in question was indeed within the 100-foot regulated area. Accordingly, he was instructed to file an After the Fact application for the five events and stabilize the area in question either by seeding or planting of bushes acceptable to the Wetlands Enforcement Officer. As of this meeting there has been no response.

3.) NEW BUSINESS:

4.) REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING:

5.) CONSERVATION PROJECTS:

6.) OPEN - SPACE ISSUES: Dave Logie advised that DPW is unable to work on the Carriage Drive entrance due to broken machinery.

7.) WEO COMMUNICATIONS:

8.) CORRESPONDENCE:

9.) MISCELLANEOUS: Chair Wollen advised that the December 13, 2022 meeting will be in conflict with a Town Wide Referendum. The December 13 meeting will be cancelled and rescheduled on different date.

10). APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:

MOTION: Steve Montgomery moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 11, 2022. Elliot Leonard seconded. **VOTE:** The minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

11). ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cathy Alfandre and seconded by Karin Niesyn. **VOTE:** Approved by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by Frances M. Daly

Secretary, Easton Conservation Commission