



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

### MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING – EASTON TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM A TUESDAY November 15, 2016

**PRESENT:** Dori Wollen, Chair; Catherine Alfandre, Vice Chair; Sarah Cwikla, Steve Corti

**ABSENT:** Katherine Reed, Jamie Weinstein, Steve Hume, Elliot Leonard, Vivian Hardison

1. Meeting called to order at 8:07p.m.

#### INLAND/WETLAND APPLICATIONS:

- A. Susan and Anthony Farmer – 200 Morehouse Rd, New Single Family and pool. Mrs. Farmer was present at the meeting and had requested in writing a reduction in fees. The Commission determined a reduction in fee was not warranted. Mrs. Farmer wrote a check for the full amount as required. The Commission reviewed the plans. Mrs. Farmer will have her engineer flag the site and the Commission will walk the property once that is completed.
- B. 90 Honeysuckle Hill Lane – new As of Right Determination request, Wanda Popescu was present at the meeting. Dori Wollen went thru the entire chain of events with regards to the violations and various applications at this residence dating back to May 12, 2016 the date of the first violation. Dori Wollen had spoken to the town attorney Ira Bloom regarding the issues at this property. Ira Bloom informed Dori that because a portion of the Popescu garden is on Aquarion's property, the Commission can take no action on the new As of Right Determination request at this time. The motion to deny the request without prejudice was made by Dori and seconded by Steve Corti. Dori will also check with Ira Bloom as to whether or not a tiered garden is considered a structure. The Commission will walk the site once more to determine mitigation requirements.

**SITE WALKS:** none at this time

#### 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 located at 740 Stepney Road--Neunteufel and VonKuthy, issued 7/20/05
- C. V#08-153, Notice of Violation at 68 Sport Hill Parkway--Michael Newman, issued 12/1/08
- D. Cease and Remediate order for 68 Sport Hill Parkway--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. V#15-168, Notice of Violation at 123 Center Road—Lello Properties, LLC, issued 5/18/15
- H. V#15-170, Notice of Violation at 80 Redding Road—Arvid A. Brandstrom, issued 10/21/15
- I. V#16-175, Notice of Violation at 90 Honeysuckle Hill Lane—Wanda M. Popescu, issued 7/5/16 –

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J. Written request from Harold Rosnick – bond release regarding Adirondack Estates (email). A letter was sent to Mr. Rosnick regarding the bond release and the completion of unfinished storm drains on site.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Letter from Saddle Ridge Developers: Mr. Matt Ranelli, on behalf of Saddle Ridge Developers sent a letter informing the Commission about his client's application to Planning and Zoning. The letter claimed the new application did not contain any new regulated activities other than in this Commission's approval of December 17, 2014. The letter included the application to P&Z on a diskette. The issue was duly noted.

**REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING:**

- A. Saddle Ridge Builders Application – A request for comments re: the upcoming Public Hearing on November 28, 2016: Since the Commission has yet to receive a formal application it is unable to provide comments. A letter will be sent to P&Z to this effect and asking them to hold the public hearing open until such time an application is received and we have a chance to review the same.
- B. 275/285 Silver Hill Road – The Commission reviewed the request from Planning and Zoning and decided to ask for a fee in lieu of open space regarding this subdivision, a letter will be sent to Planning and Zoning confirming the decision.

**CONSERVATION PROJECTS**

- A. Ongoing--Paine Open Space (O/S) map: Trail Steward Mike Wallace to post red trail markers and Sarah Cwikla to measure trail lengths.
- B. Ongoing--Creation of Conservation Regulations (Guidelines)—Dori Wollen

**OPEN-SPACE ISSUES**

- A. Ongoing—Signage for Morehouse O/S and Tatetuck O/S properties – Steve Edwards was contacted again requesting an update on the Morehouse sign.
- B. Discussion re three new signs at Paine O/S

**WEO COMMUNICATIONS:** none at this time

**CORRESPONDENCE:** none at this time

**MISCELLANEOUS:** The Commission reviewed the calendar for 2017 and set the meeting dates, a letter indicating the dates will be sent to the Town Clerk to be filed appropriately.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:**

- A. Motion made by Sarah Cwikla to approve the minutes and seconded by Dori Wollen.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10 pm was made by Sarah Cwikla and seconded by Steve Corti.

**FILED BY KIERSTEN RING**  
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Secretary, Easton Conservation Commission



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225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

November 23, 2016

Mrs. Christine Halloran, Town Clerk  
Easton Town Hall  
225 Center Road  
Easton, CT 06612

RE: 2017 CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

Dear Mrs. Halloran,

In accordance with General Statute's sec. 1-225, you are hereby notified that the Conservation Commission of the Town of Easton, which also acts as the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency for the Town of Easton, has agreed to meet on the following dates for the year 2017.

<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>10,</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>11,</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>14,</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>8,</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>14,</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>12,</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>APRIL</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>10,</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>9,</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>14,</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>13,</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>12</b>	

The meetings will be held in Conference Room A at the Easton Town Hall at 7:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

If the schedule changes for any reason, you will be given proper notice within the given time period as in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Sincerely,

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Dori Wollen, Chair

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cc: Board of Selectman  
Commission Members  
Library  
Planning & Zoning  
Town Engineer  
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