

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 December 13, 2016 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Dori Wollen, Chair; Catherine Alfandre, Vice Chair; Steve Hume, Elliot Leonard, Steve Corti,

Vivian Hardison

ABSENT: Sarah Cwikla, Katherine Reed, Jamie Weinstein

1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

INLAND/WETLAND APPLICATIONS: 200 Morehouse Road – Susan and Anthony Farmer were present and indicated that the property has now been staked and the Commission members can take a look at the property. Joseph Fazio of 12 Morning Glory Road spoke to the Commission regarding his concerns for the wetlands and wildlife at this location. He presented a letter stating these concerns and signatures from neighboring residences. Dori Wollen stated that the Commission will take a look at the property prior to the next meeting and the application will be on the agenda for the first January meeting.

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 Mr. Toscano has requested his bond to be released. Dori Wollen stated that Mr. Toscano will need to have the proper paperwork from the DEEP and the Easton DPW sent over for the Commission to review prior to discussing a bond release. Kiersten Ring, secretary, will notify Mr. Toscano of this requirement.
- 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 Dr. Popescu was not present at the meeting but the property issues were discussed. The Commission agrees that there was some confusion as to what application the homeowners needed to fill out. Dori Wollen will draft a new letter to be sent to the Popescu's indicating exactly what application needs to be filled out and what is expected.
- 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. Mr. Rosnick feels he has met the obligations with regards to the bond release, a second letter indicating the issues with the storm drains will be sent and this item will remain on the agenda for January's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: none at this time



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. The sign for the Morehouse open space as well as the Animal Shelter ha been completed. Dori Wollen will send the specifics of the sign over to Planning and Zoning for approval.
 - B. Discussion re three new signs at Paine O/S

WEO COMMUNICATIONS: none at this time

CORRESPONDENCE: none at this time

MISCELLANEOUS: Paine Open Space maintenance was discussed. Currently the area is maintained by Steve Corti and the Easton DPW. However, they are not always available for when something arises. Dori Wollen stated that she would like to get cost estimates for mowing twice a year and for trail and tree maintenance and will attend the Board of Selectman meeting in January to ask for additional funds for this open

Steve Corti stated that there might be an issue that needs to be addressed at Sherwood Farm on Sport Hill Road regarding grading of soil into the wetlands near where the cows are kept. Phillip Doremus will be notified and will take a look to determine if anything has been done in the regulated area.

Steve Corti expressed concern that the neighbor on the right hand side of the Paine open space, Chuck Rega at 210 Maple Road, is dumping debris in the Paine Open Space. Dori Wollen will take a look and send a letter if necessary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:

A. A motion to approve the minutes from November 15, 2016 was made by Catherine Alfandre and seconded by Steve Corti. A motion to approve the minutes from November 29, 2016 was made by Elliot Leonard and seconded by Vivian Hardison.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m. was made by Vivian Hardison and seconded by Steve Corti.

FILED BY KIERSTEN RING CT GS 1-225 c Secretary, Easton Conservation Commission