



## 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, May 12, 2015  
7:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Roy Gosse, Chairman; Dori Wollen, Secretary; Catherine Alfandre; Steven Hume; Elliot Leonard; and Sarah Cwikla, Alternate

**ABSENT:** Stephen Edwards, Vice Chairman and Stephen Corti; Katherine Reed, Alternate (new)

Note: Also present was newly-appointed alternate member Vivian Hardison, who elected to sit in the gallery as she had not yet been sworn in.

1. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Roy Gosse called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 p.m.

2. **INLAND WETLANDS APPLICATIONS:**

A. I/W #15-493, 16 and 35 Golf View Drive—Mr. and Mrs. (Diane) Andrew Geisert.

Drainage improvements. Received 4/28/15+65=7/2/15. Mrs. Geisert was present. The Members discussed the application, noting that a town accessway, used to gain access to the detention basin for cleaning, should be included on the plan. Steve Hume made a motion to approve Permit Application #15-493 pending submission of a final plan with addition of the Town's accessway and the Department of Public Works' approval. Cathy Alfandre seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. I/W #15-494, 40 Far Horizons Drive and 89 Beers Road—Larry Edwards, J. Edwards & Associates, LLC, Agent. Activity relating to creation of five-lot subdivision. Received 5/12/15+65=7/16/15. Larry Edwards presented the application to the Commission, explaining that two property owners would like to put their land together to form a five-lot subdivision, with four new lots and one existing. Most of the discussion centered on the placement of Lot 2, with the Commission suggesting that the plan be revised to show the driveway location farther away from the regulated area. The Members also discussed the wetland crossing, noting that the plan will be registered with CT DEEP, and maintenance responsibility will ultimately fall on the four homeowners who will own the private road. Larry Edwards will have the property staked in preparation for the Members to walk the site.

3. **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  
Steve Edwards will speak with First Selectman Adam Dunsby regarding the noted violation to discuss gaining approval for legal review.
  - F. Amended Wetlands Permit #10-389, 288 Maple Road—expiration date of extended permit: June 20, 2017.
  - G. Discussion with Attorney Hal Rosnick re open space land swap off of Riverside Lane.  
Due to Messrs. Rosnick and Mendell's busy schedules, this item will be addressed at the May 26, 2015 meeting.
  - H. Warning letter sent April 29, 2015 to Nicholas Khamarji of 102 Center Road for clearing and depositing (filling) in an area within 100 feet of wetlands on or adjacent to his property. The Commission discussed this item, noting that sufficient time had been given for the property owner to respond. The Members requested that Krista Kot, Secretary to the Commission, inform Wetlands Enforcement Officer Phillip Doremus that they would like him to issue a violation notice for this activity.
- 4. NEW BUSINESS:**  
This item was added at the meeting:
- A. Discussion of violation at 123 Center Road. The Members reported that there had been clearing of seemingly dozens of trees in the regulated area, necessitating the issuance of a violation notice. The Commission asked Krista Kot to inform Phillip Doremus that they would like him to issue a violation notice for this activity.
- 5. REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING & ZONING:** n/a
- 6. CONSERVATION PROJECTS:**
- A. Review map of Paine Open Space, provided by Phillip Doremus, noting monuments. The Members reviewed the map, discussing various ways of marking the monuments so they would be more visible. Roy Gosse mentioned that he would talk with David Brant of Aspetuck Land Trust about creating, with ALT's mapmaking technology, a map noting Town open space, including Land Trust property.
- 7. CORRESPONDENCE:**
- A. Letter from Town of Fairfield re I/W Permit for 1575 Catamount Road, located within 500 feet of Easton town line. Duly noted.
- 8. OPEN-SPACE ISSUES:**
- A. Ongoing—Signage for Morehouse Open Space and Tatetuck Open Space properties.  
This item was not discussed as Steve Edwards, who is in charge of this project, was not present.
- 9. WEO COMMUNICATIONS:** Comments were relayed to the Members before the meeting.

**10. SITE WALKS:**

A. 40 Far Horizons Drive and 89 Beers Road

**11. APPROVE MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:**

Dori Wollen noted that the Minutes from the April 14, 2015 meeting did not include the name and address of the party requesting an extension to Permit #13-450. The owner of record is Stepney LLC, c/o George Ganim, 130 Center Road. Steve Hume made a motion to approve the Minutes as amended, and Elliot Leonard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**12. MISCELLANEOUS:**

The Members briefly discussed the public hearings in Weston regarding a proposed leash ordinance, noting that perhaps Easton might benefit from same.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:** Cathy Alfandre made a motion to adjourn at approximately 9:05 p.m., and Elliot Leonard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PREPARED and FILED  
By Krista Kot, Secretary  
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