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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM AND IN PERSON
CONFERENCE ROOM "A" TOWN HALL
April 27, 2021 7:30 p.m.**

PRESENT IN PERSON: Dori Wollen, Chair, Vivian Hardison, Dave Logie

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Cathy Alfandre; Sarah Cwikla, Elliot Leonard, Maria Corti (alternate).

ABSENT: Steve Montgomery

Members of the public present via zoom: Tony Miodonka, Mark Ochman and members of the public present in person: Michael Czesnowski, Michael LoBuglio, Janet Isa.

Chair Dori Wollen called the meeting to order at 7:30. Maria Corti was appointed to vote for Steve Montgomery.

1.) # 21-586-56 Northwood Drive- Miodonka, Tony. Received 4/13/2021+65 days=6/17/2021. Removal of 20-30 ash and pine trees. Tony Miodonka appeared on his own behalf via ZOOM. There were several questions about what the applicant's plans were regarding the stumps left from when trees were removed prior to filing this application. Mr. Miodonka stated that he will leave the stumps that are inside the fence, but will remove those along the road on the other side of the driveway. Commissioners reminded Mr. Miodonka that there is to be no dumping of brush or yard debris in the wetland, and that he needs to install a silt fence until such time as the wetlands are stabilized. Mr. Miodonka asked if he could plant new trees in the regulated area. He was told that he could as long as the trees were planted by hand. He was reminded that if he plans to plant a garden he needs to remain away from the wetlands.

MOTION: Cathy Alfandre moved to **APPROVE** the after the fact application # **21-586, 56 Northwood Drive** with standard stipulations and an additional stipulation to install a silt fence around the wetlands, and a stipulation that any additional work in the regulated area be reported to this Commission. Vivian Hardison seconded. **VOTE:** #21-586 was approved by unanimous voice vote.

2) #21-587 398 Judd Road-Czesnowski, Michael (owner of record: Bruce and Anita Holzberg). Received 4/13/2021 + 65 days = 6/17/2021. Construct 12' driveway, replace existing 12" pipe with 18" pipe to reach proposed 4 bedroom house outside of 100 foot setback. Mr. Czesnowski appeared in person on behalf of this application. There were a number of questions regarding how much and what kind of fill would be used to level the driveway in the

area of the pipes which are to be replaced. In addition there were questions about plans to put in catch basins as there were none shown on the plans in the wetlands area. Mr. Czesnowski showed where he plans to place catch basins outside the regulated area. **MOTION:** Vivian Hardison moved to **APPROVE** application # **21-587, 398 Judd Road** with standard stipulations and with an additional stipulation that all retention (catch) basins be built outside the regulated area. Elliot Leonard seconded. **VOTE:** # **21-587** was approved by unanimous voice vote.

3.) #21-588 10 Stepney Road- Barnes, Kimmie and Matthew. Received 4/27/2021 + 65 days= 7/2/2021. Construct 16' x 36' inground pool. Mark Ochman of Ochman Associates appeared on behalf of this application via ZOOM. He presented the site plan to the Commission. Chair Wollen asked him to flag the 4 corners of the pool, the edge of the wetlands, the temporary stockpile, the limit of disturbance and the pool fence.

4.) # 21-589 62 Bayberry Lane- Weinstock, Janet, Received 4/27/2021 + 65 days = 7/2/2021. Add 2 story wood addition including garage, extend driveway and move generator. Michael LoBuglio, architect and Janet Weinstock Isa, owner, appeared in person on behalf of this application. Mr. LoBuglio showed that the plan is to build a 2 car garage with a second story and expand the driveway turn around, and move the generator to behind the new structure. Chair Wollen asked to have the proposed structure, the stockpile, the proposed driveway extension and the generator flagged.

5.) SITE WALKS: 10 Stepney Road, 62 Bayberry Lane

6.) 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. The Commission approved application #21-583; however, it left the warning in place until such time that all construction is completed satisfactorily.

H. V#20-573, Notice of Violation at 36 Kachele Street---Remigio Melo Jr., issued 9/24/2020, Cease and Desist order. The Commission approved application #20-574, however, it left the violation in place until such time that all construction is completed satisfactorily.

K.) V#21-584 Notice of Violation at 1074 Black Rock Road- Trevor A. Smith, issued 3/9/2021, Cease and Desist order. Staff was directed to follow up with WEO.

7.) NEW BUSINESS: A letter from the Town of Fairfield Conservation Commission regarding their application at 4075 Redding Road, Fairfield was duly noted.

8.) REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING:

9.) CONSERVATION PROJECTS:

10) OPEN - SPACE ISSUES:

11.) WEO COMMUNICATIONS:

12.) CORRESPONDENCE DEEP:

13.) MISCELLANEOUS: Chair Wollen gave an update on the status of the Barney Farm grant. Vivian Hardison suggested that members be furnished with reflective vests to wear on site walks. Several members suggested ID cards.

14.) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS. MOTION: Cathy Alfandre moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 13, 2021. Dave Logie seconded.

VOTE: The minutes from the April 13, 2021 meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

15.) ADJOURNMENT: MOTION Vivian Hardison moved to adjourn the meeting. Dave Logie seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Approved by unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Submitted by Frances M. Daly