

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION EASTON TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM A Tuesday, May 22, 2018 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Dori Wollen, Chair; Vivian Hardison, Steve Corti, Elliot Leonard, Steven Montgomery

ABSENT: Steve Hume, Sarah Cwikla, Cathy Alfandre

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. Steve Montgomery was appointed to represent Cathy Alfandre.
- 2. INLAND/WETLAND APPLICATIONS: #18-537 173 North Street Kevin Wade construct two ponds within wetland areas and a house - received 3/27/18 + 65 days = 5/31/18. The applicant, Kevin Wade, and his contractor, Larry Edwards were present. Mr. Wade presented a check for \$1,710 covering the application fee. Next, Mr. Edwards reconfirmed the plans as shown on the map of May 8, 2018 as follows: (1) water breaks and silt fence for the driveway construction. (2) raised boulder barrier at the south end of the property, providing a 10 foot buffer and (3) a planting plan around the ponds. Further, Mr. Edwards confirmed that (1) the driveway would be regraded and stabilized prior to and after any construction, (2) the driveway was designed to go around the existing well belonging to the adjacent property, (3) the first pipe, as noted on the map, would be repaired. During the ensuing discussion it was agreed that the underground utilities would be installed after the driveway was complete. Also, the as built plan will include the location of the underground utilities. Lastly, a conservation easement shall be executed covering the south end of the property. Vivian Hardison made a motion to include the above conditions with Elliot Leonard seconding. Mr. Wade objected to the conservation easement requirement claiming that it would be two restrictive for any future use of that area. The Commissioners, however, believe that the extra protection of the south end of the property is necessary; first, because the creation of the two ponds is quite invasive and second, the area abuts the Centennial Forest and the Paine Open Space To resolve Mr. Wade's objections, the motion and second were withdrawn. Mr. Wade agreed to provide an extension in writing to the permitting process and we would send him a copy of the current Conservation Easement document.
- 3. AS OF RIGHT DETERMINATION REQUESTS: none
- 4. SITE WALKS: none
- 5. 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—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#15-170, Notice of Violation at 80 Redding Road—Arvid A. Brandstrom, issued 10/21/15
- H. V#16-175, Notice of Violation at 90 Honeysuckle Hill Lane—Wanda M. Popescu, issued 7/5/16.
- I. V#16-519 –355 Sport Hill Road—Sherwood Farm, issued 12/29/16
- J. Warning: 5 Wimbledon Lane—Owner Christian Bujdud. Dori Wollen sent a letter to the Homeowner.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS: none
- 7. REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING: none.
- **8. CONSERVATION PROJECTS**: Kristen Beattie of UCON reported that the Bobcat project was on a brief hold and now is back on schedule. The camera is to be installed on Paine this Thursday, May 10. She shared a brief description of the project that we will put on our website.
- 9. OPEN-SPACE ISSUES: no new report
- 10. WEO COMMUNICATIONS: none
- 11. CORRESPONDENCE: received another notice of a water diversion permit between the Easton Lake Reservoir and 350 Main Street, Newtown. Information was duly noted.
- 12. MISCELLANOUS none
- **13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:** a motion to approve the minutes of May 8, 2018 was made by Vivian Hardison and seconded by Elliot Leonard. Motion carried.
- **14. ADJOURNMENT:** a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8::14pm was made by Elliot Leonard and seconded by Vivian Hardison; all in favor.

FILED BY Dori Wollen CT GS 1-225 c Chair, Easton Conservation Commission