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WILTON INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

DATE: March 11, 2010
PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room A
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

Present: Franklin Wong; Joseph Fiteni; Jill Alibrandi; Syd Gordon

Also Present: Patricia Sesto, Director of Environmental Affairs; Allison McConnell, Acting Administrative Assistant; Steve McAllister, McChord Engineering; Marc Andre, MG Andre Group; Doug DiVesta, DiVesta Civil Engineering Associates

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wong called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **WET #1933(S) – WOOD** – installation of an inground swimming pool, cabana and landscaping in a regulated area at 104 Olmstead Hill Road – cont'd.

Patricia Sesto read additional documents into the record.

Steve McAllister of McChord Engineering presented a revised engineering plan. He noted one existing curtain drain along the driveway within the septic setback; consequently the septic design has been revised. Mr. McAllister also noted that he had spoken to Casey Cordes of South Norwalk Electric and Water, and was amenable to addressing all of his concerns.

There was discussion of the boulder demarcation line and the return of the encroached SNEW property to meadow. In response to the request by SNEW to space the boulders close enough to restrict mower accessibility, Ms. Sesto noted that this commission does not usually use a boulder demarcation as an actual barrier to mowing.

Joe Fiteni asked for clarification of an additional sump. Mr. McAllister responded that it would be located in front of the detention galleries.

Chairman Wong asked if the commissioners had any additional comments or questions. There were none.

Chairman Wong asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. There were none.

Ms. Alibrandi asked about the removal of landscaping debris. Mr. McAllister confirmed that it would be removed.

Ms. Sesto asked Mr. McAllister about sleeving the crossed pipes. Mr. McAllister will revise the plans to show this sleeving where the septic and drainage pipes cross.

Chairman Wong declared the public hearing closed.

Ms. Sesto reiterated the concerns of SNEW, noting that a site monitor would be prudent.

Chairman Wong MOTIONED to approve WET #1933 with the General and normal Special Conditions and the additional Special Conditions that a monitor be required and that incorporate the three concerns of SNEW; Mr. Gordon SECONDED; passed 4-0-0.

2. **WET #1934(S) – DRISCOLL** - construct addition to existing house and install new septic system in regulated area at 149 Wolf Pit Road – cont'd.

Ms. Sesto noted that no new information had been received.

The extension approved at the February 25, 2010 meeting will continue.

3. **WET#1944 – PETTIT** – demolish existing structures, construction of proposed new dwelling with associated grading, proposed septic system and bio-retention system at 27 Wolfpit Lane.

Doug DiVesta submitted revised engineering plans and presented the revisions.

Marc Andre presented a landscaping plan and discussed the mix of plants intended for the property, and the intention to reduce the velocity of the runoff from the property.

Ms. Sesto asked if they had prepared a plant list with quantities of each type. Mr. Andre noted that this information was included on the architectural plan submitted at the last meeting, including a schedule for the bioretention area.

Ms. Sesto noted that the applicant still needs to submit a Deer Management plan.

Chairman Wong asked if the commissioners had any further questions or comments. There were none.

Chairman Wong asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. There were none.

Chairman Wong declared the public hearing for WET#1944 closed.

Ms. Sesto noted that the application, if approved by the commission, should be conditioned to revise the site plan to include the revised planting and engineering plans so they are consistent with each other. She also noted that the commission should address the comments of a resident who identified himself to be an engineer, and should also discuss the alternative plans as posited by Commissioner Hall.

Chairman Wong noted that the applicant had addressed total site usage, and drainage issues, and he felt that the structure itself was not an issue.

Ms. Alibrandi MOTIONED to approve WET #1944 with General Conditions, the normal Special Conditions and additional Special Conditions as noted by Ms. Sesto including revised planting plan specifying size and quantity, incorporating all drawings on one plan, and a deer management plan; SECONDED by Mr. Wong; passed 4-0-0.

C. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE REVIEWED

1. **WET #1935(I) – ROGINSKI** – “corrective action” to remove debris, restore clearing and grading adjacent to a wetland at 73 Vista Road – cont’d.

Ms. Sesto reported that she had met with Mrs. Roginski. She stated that the applicant is expected to have a plan ready to submit by the next commission meeting.

Chairman Wong continued this application.

2. **WET #1941(S) – EVANSON** – demolish existing structures, regrade, and restore existing pond at 320 and 322 Nod Hill Road.

Mr. Wong noted that this application was not acted on at the last meeting to allow Mr. Fiteni the opportunity to review the newer submissions and comment. The commissioners summarized the revised plans to apprise him of the newest information.

Mr. Fiteni noted his concern about the maintenance of the lawn area, and that the revised buffer between the driveway and the pond was increased to approximately 15 feet of plantings, which he commented is the commission’s typical minimum required.

Ms. Sesto noted that the Special Conditions for this permit should require a pre-meeting before dredging begins to ensure the protection of trees and button bush below the water line.

Chairman Wong MOTIONED to approve WET #1941 with the General and normal Special Conditions and the additional Special Conditions including pre-dredging meeting, tree and

button-bush protection, timing of house demolition and plantings, and an acknowledgement that the plantings are required regardless of the disposition of the driveway; Mr. Gordon SECONDED; passed 4-0-0.

3. **WET #1946(I) – FINK** – installation of septic system and remodeling of existing house structure within 80 feet of a wetland at 30 Stonecrop Lane.

Ms. Sesto noted that no site-walk had been scheduled. The proposed location of the septic system is the furthest possible location from the regulated resource.

Chairman Wong MOTIONED to approve WET #1946; Ms. Alibrandi SECONDED; passed 4-0-0.

D. APPLICATIONS TO BE ACCEPTED

1. **WET #1950(I) – CALZONE** – “corrective action” to address flooding and restore wetland in a regulated area at 11 Blue Ridge Lane.

Chairman Wong MOTIONED to accept WET #1950; passed 4-0-0.

E. APPROVED MINOR ACTIVITIES

1. **WET #1948 – MATHEWS** – construction of flagstone patio and addition approximately 80 feet from a pond at 560 Belden Hill Road.

There was no discussion.

2. **WET #1947 – SWEENEY** – construction of a garden shed 50 feet from a wetland at 2 Fox Run.

There was no discussion.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **WET#1723 – BAYNE/ JOHNSON** – Wetland Permit Inspection at 264 Old Grumman Hill Road.

Ms. Sesto reported that she had spoken to Ms. Bayne, who will submit a letter requesting an extension to complete the required work.

G. OTHER APPROPRIATE BUSINESS

No new business.

H. BONDS

No new business.

I. VIOLATIONS

1. Wisdom – 19 Blue Ridge Lane

Ms. Sesto met with Mrs. Wisdom and one prospective contractor. Ms. Wisdom has asked for an extension of the filing deadline.

2. Papakasmass – 105 Twin Oaks Lane

Ms. Sesto had no news to report.

3. Boccarossa – 107 Twin Oaks Lane

Ms. Sesto reported that the property owner is continuing to remove fill offsite. Commission staff had posted violation notices on the equipment and the house; they also went to the site with police escort. Staff have spoken to Town Counsel, who is drafting an injunction.

J. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 25, 2010

Chairman Wong MOTIONED to approve the minutes of February 25, 2010 as revised; Ms. Alibrandi SECONDED; passed 3-0-1.

K. ADJOURN

Chairman Wong MOTIONED to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison McConnell for Karen Padowicz
Recording Secretary