



MINUTES

January 13, 2011

PRESENT: John Hall, Acting Chair; Jill Alibrandi, Elisa Pollino, Elizabeth Craig

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Conklin, Environmental Analyst; Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: Patricia Sesto (noticed of intended absence), Rich Reiter (noticed of traffic jam en route), Frank Wong (noticed of intended absence), Dennis Delaney (noticed of intended absence)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hall called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. WET#2005(S) – HALAN – 295 Newtown Turnpike – construct a single-story on slab 3-car detached garage and convert existing garage into living space

Mr. Hall opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Conklin noted that Casey Healy sent a letter earlier in the day asking for a continuance of the hearing. The letter was read into the record. No other documents were entered into the record as there was no one present besides the commission.

III. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE REVIEWED

A. WET#1986(S) – DRISCOLL – 149 Wolfpit Road – additions and replacement of septic system within 100 ft. of a pond (cont.)

Mr. Hall noted that there was one typo on the draft resolution that was emailed by staff earlier in the day. The commission agreed that all of the items that were considered during the hearing have been addressed accurately.

Ms. Alibrandi **MOVED** to approve the resolution as drafted and amended, Mr. Hall **SECONDED** and it **CARRIED** 4-0-0.

IV. APPLICATIONS TO BE ACCEPTED

- A. WET#2006(I) – WILKINS – 93 West Meadow Road** – reconstruct garage and other site improvements within 100 ft. of wetlands

Ms. Alibrandi made a MOTION to ACCEPT the application, SECONDED by Ms. Craig, and CARRIED 4-0-0.

V. APPROVED MINOR ACTIVITIES

- A. WET#2004(M) – LILLIS – 43 Pheasant Run Road** – remove and replace trees within wetland buffer

Mr. Conklin described the property and the nature of the proposed work. He reported that a stream bisects the wooded property and the homeowner wished to remove several trees around his house. The homeowner proposed to remove 5 trees that were a threat to his home, and plant three (3) significant size maple or dogwood trees in the stream buffer area.

Mr. Conklin explained the permit application also included top dressing the front lawn area with top soil which will include very minor grading to flatten and renovate the lawn.

Mr. Hall asked how much topsoil is allowed in a regulated area without a permit. Mr. Conklin explained 3 – 4 inches is typically permitted over existing lawn to fill low spots.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE - None

VII. OTHER APPROPRIATE BUSINESS

- A. Site Visits in the Snow** – The commissioners discussed that it is difficult to see anything while on the site walks, especially with the large amount of snow we just received. Mr. Conklin confirmed that it will be difficult and that we have to make the best recommendation based on what is observed during the site walk.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Larkin noted that the December 9, 2010 Meeting Minutes have not been finalized by Staff so no approval is necessary at this time.

IX. ADJOURN

Ms. Alibrandi MOVED to ADJOURN at 7:44 p.m., SECONDED by Mr. Hall, and CARRIED 4-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Larkin
Recording Secretary