

MINUTES
MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
Regular Meeting
Monday, July 6, 2009
Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: R. Favretti (Chairman), B. Gardner, J. Goodwin, R. Hall, K. Holt, P. Plante,
B. Pociask, B. Ryan
Members absent: P. Kochenburger
Alternates present: M. Beal, L. Lombard
Alternates absent: G. Lewis
Staff present: G. Meitzler (Wetlands Agent)

Chairman Favretti called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alternate Beal was appointed to act in Kochenburger's place.

Minutes:

6-1-09 - Hall MOVED, Gardner seconded, to approve the 6-1-09 minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Ryan and Plante who disqualified themselves.

6-8-09 Field Trip - Holt MOVED, Hall seconded, to approve the 6-8-09 Field Trip minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with Holt, Favretti, Gardner, Hall, and Lombard in favor and all others disqualified.

Communications:

The 6-17-09 Conservation Commission Draft Minutes and 7-1-09 Wetlands Agent's Monthly Business report were noted. There were no questions or comments.

Old Business:

W1433- Beall & Higgins- Wormwood Hill Road-Single Family House in Buffer

Normand Thibeault Jr., P.E., Killingly Engineering Associates, discussed the key components of the proposed single family home. He pointed out the locations of the proposed house, driveway, well and septic in relation to a small on-site wetland. Thibeault submitted for the record a copy of the Health Department approval.

After a brief discussion, Favretti noted no further comments from the Public or the Agency. Holt MOVED, Gardner seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to J. C. Beall and Katrina Higgins (File W1433), for a single-family residence with on-site well and septic system, on property owned by the applicant, located on Wormwood Hill Road, as shown on a map dated May 26, 2009, revised through June 12, 2009, and as described in other application submissions.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated significant impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned upon the following provision being met:

1. Erosion and sedimentation controls shall be in place prior to construction and maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized.

This approval is valid for a period of five years (until July 6, 2014), unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Hearing Continuation:

W1424 - Whispering Glen Condominiums - Meadowbrook Lane

Chairman Favretti opened the continued Public Hearing at 7:13 p.m. Members present were Favretti, Gardner, Goodwin, Hall, Holt, Plante, Pociask, Ryan and alternates Beal and Lombard. Beal was appointed to act. Wetlands Agent Meitzler noted a 6-30-09 letter from applicant requesting an extension and a 7/2/09 memo from G. Meitzler, Wetland's Agent.

Favretti noted no comments or questions from the public or the Agency. Holt MOVED, Hall seconded, that the Agency accept the applicant's request for an additional thirty (30) day extension of the Public Hearing period for the Whispering Glen application (IWA File W1424). Furthermore, that the Public Hearing on this application shall be continued until July 20, 2009. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business:

W1435- Bachiochi- 78 Mansfield Hollow Rd- In-ground Pool

Goodwin MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by Peter Bachiochi (IWA File #W1435) under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for the installation of an 18-foot by 36-foot in-ground swimming pool, at 78 Mansfield Hollow Road, on property owned by the applicant, as shown on a map dated 5/89, revised through 7/1/09, and as described in other application submissions, and to refer said application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1436- Gaffney- 125 Wildwood Road - 90' x 30' Fire Pond

Goodwin MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by Matthew Gaffney (IWA File #W1436) under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to dig out a brook area to create a 90-foot by 30-foot fire pond located at 25 Wildwood Road on property owned by the applicant, as shown on a map dated 4/29/88, revised through 6/29/09, and as described in other application submissions, and to refer said application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1434- Town of Mansfield- Commonfields, Storrs Road- Bird Blind

After a brief question and answer period with the Agency, Wetlands Agent and Soon Nam Choi, mother of Chan-Soo Kim, Eagle Scout candidate, Holt MOVED, Plante seconded, to exempt the proposed installation of a bird blind at "Commonfields" on property owned by the Town of Mansfield, located east of Storrs Road and south of the Old Mansfield Center Cemetery (File W1434), as shown on a map revised through 6/22/09 and as described in a 6/22/09 application with attachments prepared by Chan-Soo Kim, because the proposal is permitted as a non-regulated activity as per Section 3.4 of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1218- Town of Mansfield- Birch Road Bikeway permit renewal

Goodwin MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by the Town of Mansfield Department of Public Works (IWA File #W1218) under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for the renewal of the Birch Road Bikeway permit, located on Birch Road, on the easement area owned by the applicant, as shown on a map dated 6/30/09, and as described in other application submissions, and to refer said application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Field Trip: A field trip date was set for Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

Reports of Officers and Committees: None noted.

Other Communications and Bills: Noted.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine K. Holt, Secretary