

*Town of Killingworth
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission
Killingworth, Connecticut 06419*

**Regular Meeting
#15-1**

January 13, 2015

Chairwoman C. Reimers called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

Members present: E. Auer, G. Johnson, C. Reimers, T. Doyle
Enforcement Officer C. Jefferson was also present

Members absent: D. Cronin, G. Rockwell

Visitors: Engineer Howard Pfrommer, Engineer Aaron Mortensen, Town Road Foreman Walt Adametz

Minutes: The minutes of the December 9, 2014 Regular Meeting were approved by a consensus of the members.

Enforcement Officer's Report: Cathie Jefferson reported on the following:

1. The December building permit list was distributed to the members.
2. She received a letter from the Water Company, dated January 7, 2014, discussing cleanout of a swale on the Lavender Pond Farm on Roast Meat Hill Road.
3. A new business on the eastern end of Route 80 has been cleaning up the property and doing work without required permits. A letter has been sent to the business owners to contact Cathie for the permit paperwork.
4. Members were sent information about an informative environmental meeting that will be held in March. Members wishing to attend can sign up for the meeting; the fee will be paid by the Town.

OLD BUSINESS

A. D. & V. Smith, Town of Killingworth, F. Almodovar (owners); Town of Killingworth (applicant) permit application for storm drainage outfall with riprap basin and apron and sod level pad, 164 and 172 Parker Hill Road

Town Engineer Howard Pfrommer presented information on the proposed storm drainage improvement project on Parker Hill Road and Parker Hill Road Extension at the Public Hearing that was held immediately preceding this regular meeting. Four new storm drainage systems are proposed, with two of them requiring work within the 100' wetlands review areas. A new discharge outlet location is proposed for part of the area, and an existing culvert will be utilized for another section of the project. A permit has been submitted from the Town, as applicant, for the proposed activities.

Commission members and Enforcement Officer C. Jefferson discussed all aspects of the proposal as it was discussed at the Public Hearing. The flow of water from the fields on Parker Hill Road Ext. has been changed because of a different point source, and that has caused a large volume of water to wash over the road causing flooding and also icing in the winter. The water used to be spread out into six basins – now it is channeled into one. They also discussed the maintenance of the proposed project. The Town will be responsible for maintaining everything that is installed as part of this project. Enforcement Officer C. Jefferson said this commission will also have to “keep an eye on it”.

The silting of Robert Wettish's pond was also discussed. Mr. Wettish had said at the public hearing that he thought the volume of water coming from the ball fields was the cause of the road flooding and the silting

The type of plantings that will be used on the southern end of the project was discussed. Members would like to ensure that appropriate plants for the area will be used.

Members discussed the sizing of the storm drainage outfall pipe that will be used. Because there is a new rain data calculation system, they agreed that the numbers should be re-checked to make sure the pipe size is correct.

T. Doyle moved, seconded by G. Johnson, to approve the permit application with the following conditions:

- 1) prior to construction of the discharge and planting in the southern end of the project (by the Smith residence), a plan showing the types of plants and their locations will be submitted to this commission for approval;*
- 2) the new rain data calculations for the flow through the detention basin on the northern end discharge will be checked to determine the size of the pipe needed for the project.*

The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Application to amend approved permit dated May 14, 2013 to Leo Vallee (owner), Gwenne and Ray Celmer (applicant) for construction of driveway crossing and other driveway construction activities.

Engineer E. Paul Lambert (Lambert Engineering) presented information requesting an amendment to a permit that was issued in May of 2013 for driveway construction activities at 411 Route 148. The applicants would like to do the work in the next few weeks while the ground is frozen. At the meeting in May, 2013 when the project was approved, commission members agreed that a condition of the permit was to have the work done between June and October. This condition was not included in the Memorandum of Decision that the applicants received. There was a consensus of the members present at tonight's meeting to allow the work to be done in the next two weeks while the ground is frozen. *A motion was made by T. Doyle and seconded by G. Johnson, to approve the permit amendment as requested. The motion carried unanimously.*

B. Communications

1. Letter from Daniel P. Burns, transmission Arborist CL&P, 12/1/14, re: scheduled maintenance activities on selected electric rights-of-way
2. Transmission Line Patrol Map, Northeast Utilities, The CT Light & Power Co.
3. Northeast Utilities Specification for Rights-of-Way Vegetation Management, Section III, Technical Requirements 2015
4. List of December 2014 building permits issued
5. 2014-2015 Budget Printout as of 1/2/15
6. Application to Conduct a Regulated Activity – Gwenne & Raymond Celmer
7. Site Plan – Property at 411 Route 148 (Map 15, Lot 35A) Killingworth, CT

C. Requests for Review

- 303 Roast Meat Hill Road – ground mounted solar panels
- 211 Green Hill Road – concrete pad for oil tank
- 319 Route 81 – addition to existing service station
- 191 Little City Road – carport with solar panels and ground mount
- 50 Cow Pen Hill Road – ground mounted solar panel

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Lisk
Clerk