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GRISWOLD INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES **JULY 15, 2010** **GRISWOLD TOWN HALL**

I. Regular Meeting (7:30 P.M.)

1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Robert Parrette called this regular meeting to order at 8:00 pm.

2. Roll Call & Determination of a Quorum

Present: Vice Chair Robert Parrette, Member Glen Norman, Lawrence Laidley, Alternate Gary Serdechny, WEO, Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

Absent: Chair Courtland Kinnie, Secretary Stacie Stadnicki, Edward (Jay) Waitte, Dean Rubino,

R. Parrette appointed G. Serdechny to sit for J. Waitte. There was a quorum for this regular meeting.

3. Applications

A. CC 18-10 Geer, H. David, 852 Voluntown Road, Griswold, CT 06351. Property location: 118 Lily Pond Road, Griswold. Applicant requests approval for residential activity within a regulated area for development of a single-family house, driveway, well, footing drain, clearing & grinding and e & s control with no activity within a wetlands or watercourse. The property is zoned R-80.

R. Parrette asked if there was anyone here to represent the applicant. John Faulise, Boundaries, LLC presented the application. He presented a revised plan to the Commission based on the last meeting. He explained that the house elevation and footing drains have been raised; he showed the flood zone on the plan. He stated that the new elevation of the basement floor was raised 1.5 feet as well as the footing drains as well; the grading was modified to reflect that change. J. Faulise explained that there is no grading within the flood zone or activity within the wetlands. He stated that those were the only modifications made to the plan from last month's meeting. R. Parrette asked about the clearing in the buffer area in the wetlands, J. Faulise stated that the clearing and the corner of the house of the regulated area; the septic system is outside the regulated area; the garage and well l is un the upland review area; and nothing is in the flood zone.

R. Parrette asked if any looked at the site. G. Serdechny road by and so did G. Norman. R. Parrette asked if Mr. Roy had any issues with this project.. J. Faulise stated that Mr. Roy did not have any concerns or issued; with his activity to the west and to the north. R. Parrette asked how

much fill was needed to raise the house. J. Faulise stated that 200 years was brought in before raising the house and so another 50 yards would be brought in to accommodate the revisions of the grading to raise the house.

J. Faulise stated that any flood zone at the bridge that occurred during the rains in March was the result of the failure of the two 48" pipes under the bridge to accommodate the increased flow of water under the bridge causing water to overtop the road. He stated that the pond is 60 plus acres and would require a significant flooding to raise the surface elevation of the pond; it did not flood this lot.

R. Parrette asked for questions from members. Hearing none, he asked for a motion. G. Norman moved to approve CC 18-10 with the proper erosion and sedimentation control measures based on the modifications of the site plan dated 6/21/10 presented. L. Laidley seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

R. Parrette appointed L. Laidley secretary pro tem in S. Stadnicki absence.

4. Additional Business (New Applications)

A. CC 20-10 Purdum, Edward J., 42 Milton Avenue, Cranston, RI 02905. Property Location: 176 Mackin Drive, Griswold. Applicant requests approval of residential activity within a wetland/watercourse in order to install a t-shaped floating dock in two 10 ft. sections secured to shore with stakes and poly line. Property is zoned R-60.

R. Parrette asked if there was anyone here to represent the applicant. Edward Purdum presented his application to the Commission. He explained that he wanted to install a floating dock that would be staked to the shore for swimming and boating He stated that the dock would be removed from the pond at the end of the summer. R. Parrette asked what the stakes were made of. E. Purdum stated that they would be steel stakes. He stated that he would need to make a ramp section because the pond level was so low. He showed the commissions where and the ramp to the floating the dock would be located. G. Norman stated that the ramp should be added to the site plan for the next meeting. R. Parrette asked that the abutters be listed on the site map for the next meeting. There was discussion of this matter.

L. Laidley made a motion to accept CC 20-10 and to table it to the next regular meeting on august 19, 2010. G. Norman seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

E. Purdum will provide the information for the abutters and the stake material for the next meeting.

B. CC 21-10 Rochette, Stephen & Jennifer, 254 Williams Street, Meriden, CT 06450. Property location: 52 Myrtle Road, Griswold. Applicant requests approval for residential activity within a wetland/watercourse in order to install an 18 ft. floating dock consisting of three 6 ft. sections and one 8 ft. section. Dock to be secured to a poured 4 ft. by 4 ft. cement pad on grade with a 9 ft. by 4 ft. ramp to floating dock. Property is zone R-60.

R. Parrette asked if there was anyone to represent the applicant. Stephen Rochette explained that he wanted to purchase 45 Myrtle Road and he wanted to install a floating dock on the side of the shore. He stated that it would come off the jetty to a floating dock. He has hired a contractor to do the work. S. Rochette stated that the area was 16 feet wide. P. Zvingilas asked if the property has been purchased and if they own the property. S. Rochette stated that there is a letter in the file from the property owner. R. Parrette read the letter for the record. P. Zvingilas asked if there was

another owner. S. Rochette stated that C. Mathews owns 45 Myrtle Road. There was discussion of this matter.

R. Parrette asked about the contract pad. S. Rochette stated that it was a 4 ft. by 4 ft. concrete pad. P. Zvingilas asked what the ramp was made of. S. Rochette stated that the ramp was 4 ft. by 9 ft. to be mounted to the concrete pad connected with steel posts. . Zvingilas asked If people will still get their boats in there. S. Rochette stated that there are no boats except for kayaks and canoes because it is a walking path to the pond so there will be plenty of room for this kayaks and canoes.

P. Zvingilas stated that there is a right of way for other residences to use that area. G. Serdechny asked what the right of way says. P. Zvingilas stated that there should be a document such as a deed with the language for its use. R. Parrette stated that we cannot act on this tonight so you have time to present the language for the right of way and a letter from Cathy Mathews. There was discussion of this matter.

R. Parrette asked if S. Rochette would be making the dock and what is it made of. S. Rochette stated that he will buy the dock which was steel frame with spikes and wood. R. Parrette asked if it will be taken out of the pond in the fall. There was discussion of this matter.

L. Laidley made a motion to accept CC 21-10 and to table it to the next regular meeting on august 19, 2010. G. Norman seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

5. Reports from the Enforcement Officer

R. Parrette asked for the enforcement officer's report. P. Zvingilas stated that he had no report. G. Serdechny asked about a house being replaced on Lily Pond Road. He asked if it was near the wetlands. P. Zvingilas stated that there weren't any wetlands except across the street. G. Norman stated that it is close to the neighbor's pond so it is near a wetland so the work is within 75 feet of the pond. There was discussion of this matter. P. Zvingilas stated that he could do an administrative approval for the work, its in the upland review area and it is not in the wetlands.

6. Old Business

L. Laidley stated that there is still paint and debris at the abandoned condos on Pleasant View. He was concerned that there would be a problem with contamination in the wetlands. P. Zvingilas stated that he is working on that with Mario Tristany. There was discussion of this matter.

G. Norman asked about the Sheldon Road project. P. Zvingilas stated that he hasn't heard anything more about that site any testing would have to be done by DEP. He hasn’t heard any more from the complainant He and Al Gosselin looked at the site and it looked liked clean material with gravel.

7. New Business

8. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 17, 2010

G. Rooke-Norman made a motion to approve the minutes of June 17, 2010. G. Serdechny seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion carried.

9. Communications

R. Parrette stated that there was The Habitat on the table. It came in after the agenda went out.

10. Reports from Members

No reports from members.

11. Conservation Commission Matters

No conservation matters.

12. Adjournment

R. Parrette made a motion to adjourn. L. Laidley made a motion to adjourn. G. Serdechny seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8;30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Szall
Recording Secretary