

## MEETING MINUTES

Conservation Commission  
Waterford Town Hall

January 13, 2011  
7:00 PM

Members Present: Gary Johnson, Henry Curtis, Jeff Sims, Wade Thomas, Harold Hansen, Richard Muckle, Nancy Hicks  
Alternates Present: (2 vacancies)  
Alternates Absent: David Lersch (notified absence)  
Staff Present: Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner  
Katrina Kotfer, Recording Secretary

### **1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### **2. APPROVAL OF THE December 16, 2010 MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Motion made by J. Sims, seconded by W. Thomas to approve the December 16, 2010 minutes as written.

**VOTE:** 6-0

R. Muckle arrived at 7:03 pm.

### **3. APPLICATION REVIEW**

**#2010-047 – 913 Vauxhall Street Ext.:** Single Family Home, Owner & Applicant – Little T LLC, Agent- Gerwick-Mereen LLC. (Action Date: 2/13/11, Last Meeting Date: 2/11/11)

The Commission reviewed the draft permit but raised concerns about the Ledge Light Health District's denial of the septic and well location plan and possible changes required to site grading and the well location. The Commission tabled action on the draft permit and requested the applicant address the Health District comments.

### **4. NEW APPLICATIONS**

No new applications were received.

### **5. VIOLATIONS**

**28 Butlertown Road:** Abatement Order: August 17, 2010. Amended Abatement Order-12/8/10. Wetland Restoration Plan to be completed by May 21, 2011.

The Commission reviewed correspondence dated December 22, 2010 from M. FitzGerald to the property owners clarifying the completion date for the restoration is May 31, 2011.

**4 & 6 Brook Street Complaint:** Finding

M. FitzGerald reported that in response to a complaint, she found unauthorized clearing within a designated wetland non-encroachment area at both 4 and 6 Brook Street. She reviewed the subdivision plan and permit 92-03 and the extent of clearing. The Commission required that the owners file applications to modify the wetland non-encroachment area and maintain a vegetated buffer along the watercourse. M. FitzGerald stated that notices of violation will be sent to the property owners with corrective actions to include applying for a permit to conduct activity in the non-encroachment area and restoring a vegetated buffer along the watercourse.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

H. Curtis expressed interest in attending the upcoming (CAWS) Connecticut Association of Wetland Scientists Annual Conference Wednesday, February 23, 2011. Other members of Commission expressed interest in possibly attending as well.

**7. CONSERVATION COMMISSION TASKS**

J. Sims raised concern with the proposed park development at Stenger Farm, noting it is a conservation area. He questioned what the Conservation Commission's responsibility is in managing Stenger Farm. M. FitzGerald stated she will prepare information regarding the property conveyance and any restrictions for discussion at the next Commission meeting.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Commission reviewed the correspondence. M. FitzGerald noted that Target will be requesting release of the final bond amount held for the stormwater basin vegetation. J. Sims noted the inspection report refers to spraying cattails in the basin and that activity will require authorization by the Commission.

**9. BILLS**

- The Day, \$191.90, Advertising December 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010
- KB Analytical, \$3,900.00, Stream Monitoring

**MOTION:** J. Sims made a motion, seconded by W. Thomas, to pay the two bills, \$191.90 for The Day and \$3,900.00 for KB Analytical.

**VOTE:** 7-0

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** W. Thomas made a motion, seconded by J. Sims, to adjourn at 7:50 PM.

**VOTE:** 7-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Kotfer  
Recording Secretary