



APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Canton Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency

May 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Library/Community Center, Room F

CALL TO ORDER – The regular meeting of May 12, 2016 was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Chairman David Shepard, Robert Bahre, David Sinish, Rich Vandebogart, Al Bombassei, David Rosenfeld, and Eric Henry

ALSO PRESENT – Assistant Town Planner Emily Anyzeski and Land Use Coordinator Renee Narducci

A quorum of the agency is present.

PUBLIC COMMENT NOT RELATED TO AGENDA ITEM – None

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Sinish recused himself at 7:09 p.m.

1. **File #02-16-1135; 594 Albany Turnpike; Assessor's Map 25; Parcel 1010594; Zone R-2; request to construct a single family home; David and Jacqueline Mott, applicants/owners** – D. Shepard provided an overview of the application for the two new members, Mr. David Rosenfeld and Mr. Eric Henry. Mr. David Mott was present in order to address any concerns or questions the agency had, and provided some clarification on the revised site plan that was submitted to the Land Use Office on April 18, 2016. The new site plan reflects the agency's suggestion of relocating the plunge pool out of the Farmington River Protection Overlay District (FRPOD). In order to prevent as much erosion as possible, it was suggested that an additional layer of silt fence be installed behind the initial barrier.

MOTION: D. Shepard moved to APPROVE File #02-16-1135; 594 Albany Turnpike; Assessor's Map 25; Parcel 1010594; Zone R-2; request to construct a single family home; David and Jacqueline Mott, applicants/owners, as amended per the April 15, 2016 revised site plan, subject to the following conditions:

1. A second row of silt fence shall be installed 6-8 feet behind the initial fencing;
2. The Land Use Office shall be notified when erosion and sedimentation control measures have been completed, so an inspection may occur;
3. Granting a waiver on Sections 7.4D, 7.4E, and 7.5F of the application; and
4. The permit is valid for a period not to exceed five (5) years from the date of issue.

SECONDED: By R. Bahre

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

Mr. Sinish returned at 7:43 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **File #05-16-1137; Pine Acres Drive; request to install a catch basin as part of roadway drainage improvements; Town of Canton Department of Public Works, applicant; Town of Canton, owner** – Director of Public Works Robert Martin was present in order to discuss the application and answer questions the agency had. An inspection occurred on April 25, 2016 with

Assistant Town Planner Emily Anyzeski, Project Administrator George Wallace, Director of DPW Robert Martin and Tree Warden Tommy Richardson in order to evaluate the area in question and whether or not a full wetlands application would be necessary. It was determined that an additional catch basin should be installed as part of roadway drainage improvements and said basin would abut wetlands, thus requiring a wetlands application before the agency. The entire road will be reclaimed, paved and curbed on both sides in order to control run-off. The additional catch basin will have an inlet pipe from the rear in order to allow overflow from the woods to drain properly, without entering the roadway. Installation of the culvert will take approximately 1-2 days, and R. Martin said he is looking to complete all road improvements before summer. D. Shepard stated his concern regarding an increase in water velocity by installing curbing on both sides of the road, for the entire length of the road. It was recommended that a site walk occur in order to gain insight on the project, as well as provide additional time for more information to be collected and submitted for review by the agency.

MOTION: D. Shepard moved to receive the application as presented and continue to a site walk on Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 7:45 a.m. D. Sinish seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 5-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Discussion with WPCA Superintendent Roger Ignazio regarding the establishment of protocol pertaining to emergency situations within or near wetlands** – WPCA Superintendent Roger Ignazio was present in order to discuss the recent issue that occurred at the Shoppes of Farmington Valley, as well as answer any questions the agency had. At this time, an investigation will commence in the next week or so in order to determine why the pipe failed and why there appears to be exterior corrosion. A two foot section of pipe has been removed for said investigation, and a new pipe has been clamped into place. R. Ignazio informed the agency that erosion and sedimentation control measures were not established until the next day, which is something that could have been done sooner. Moving forward, it was suggested that the Land Use Office become part of the emergency notification process so that either the Assistant Town Planner or Town Planner could provide assistance more rapidly.

2. **Approve Minutes of the April 14, 2016 Regular Meeting**

MOTION: D. Shepard moved to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2016 Regular Meeting as amended. R. Bahre seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 5-0-0.

3. **Applications Received After Agenda Posted** – None
4. **Authorized Agent** – None
5. **Any Other Recent Enforcement Issues** – None

6. **Staff Report** – Ms. Anyzeski provided the agency with a sample document that pertains to the establishment of a two-person subcommittee for the purpose of authorizing work within or near a wetlands/watercourse that, if not undertaken promptly, could result in personal endangerment. R. Martin also discussed the Tree Warden's role and how the development of procedural safety guidelines might benefit from his input and experience. R. Martin provided the agency with an update pertaining to the beaver issue at the High School, and how his staff had to resolve said issue on May 11, 2016. According to R. Martin, the beavers created three dams, which caused the water level to rise to the top of the bridge that allows students to access the cross country course. In order to resolve the issue, staff installed perforated pipe within the dams in order to allow the water to pass; thus lowering the water level. R. Martin also discussed the DPW Roadside Management Pesticide Plan and informed the agency that all wetlands have been marked. It will be three years this summer since DPW last sprayed, and at this time, they are in the process of developing a plan. Ms. Anyzeski provided a brief update on the activity occurring at 310 Albany Turnpike, which was documented in a letter from GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. to Ms. Stephanie Wood.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: D. Shepard moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m. D. Sinish seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Renee Narducci, Land Use Coordinator