



City of Ansonia
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

253 Main Street
Ansonia, Connecticut 06401

September 2, 2010

Regular Meeting

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Present: David Knapp, Chairman
Kevin Cegelka
John Jones
Tim Holman

Absent: Ed Phipps
David Madar

Others Present: James Tanner, ZEO/Blight Officer
Thomas Welch, IWC Attorney

The regular meeting of the Ansonia Inland Wetlands Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Knapp.

All present rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The secretary called the roll. There was a quorum present.

Minutes

Mr. Cegelka made a motion to accept as written and place on file the minutes of the June 2010 regular meeting. Mr. Holman seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Bills

Mr. Jones made a motion to pay all bills if found to be correct. Mr. Holman seconded. All in favor, so carried.

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Correspondence

Mr. Jones made a motion to accept all of the correspondence received, dispense with the reading, and place them on file. If a member requests one read or acted upon the correspondence will be brought up individually. Mr. Cegelka seconded. All in favor, so carried.

1. Peter Crabtree to IWC re: Coastal Carriers – 12 & 14 Riverside Drive. Dtd. 6/2010
2. IWC to Coastal Carriers of CT LLC – 12 & 14 Riverside Drive. Dtd. 7/8/10
3. IWC to Donna Lindgren, ANC Director re: 17 Hodio Drive. Dtd. 6/10/10
4. Tom Welch, Welch, Teodosio, Stanek & Blake re: 17 Hodio Dr. Dtd. 7/7/10
5. Fred D'Amico re: Coastal Carriers, 14 Riverside Dr. Dtd. 9/1/10
6. Donna Lindgren, ANC Director re: Wetland Violation 17 Hodio Dr. Dtd. 8/9/10

Public Session

Chairman Knapp asked three (3) times if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the commission. There was no one.

Mr. Jones made a motion to close the public session. Mr. Holman seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Diane Lord, Attorney/A. Tkacs request for IWC Permit for 17 Hodio Drive (Court order)

Diane Lord was present.

Ms. Lord stated she met with Donna Lindgren at the Ansonia Nature Center on August 6, 2010. She said Ms. Lindgren indicated she wanted a soil test and a report stating the type of vegetation that would be placed there and the fabric that would be used for the erosion and sediment control.

Chairman Knapp said that the Inland Wetlands Commission has asked Southwest Conservation District to come out to the Nature Center and conduct a study of the soils, etc. Mr. Roman Mrozsinski from Southwest visited the Nature Center Tuesday, August 30, 2010 to inspect the wetlands and watercourse on the property and to view the violation. He will provide a written report to the Commission. We do not have his report.

Attorney Welch said that the Trial Date was set for Friday, September 10, 2010 however they requested a continuance so this matter can be resolved. He said the applicant will still have to go before the Planning & Zoning Commission as well as the Board of Aldermen. He said hopefully the Court will grant the continuance. If all goes well they will be at the October 7th IWC meeting and the October 11th Board of Aldermen meeting and then to the October P&Z meeting.

Mr. Holman made a motion to table this request. Mr. Jones seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Ron Rohinsky/95 Netop LLC (Stephen Zuber, owner) request for IWC permit for rear lot located on Moulthrop Street (9/2/10)

Mr. Ron Rohinsky from 95 Netop LLC and Mr. Stephen Zubar were present.

Mr. Rohinsky stated he wants to build a single family home on this property which is located at 28 Moulthrop Street. He said there is a soil report in the package and there are no wetlands on the property.

Chairman Knapp said this is an interior lot off of Moulthrop Street.

Mr. Rohinsky said the rear lot is grandfathered in and he is building one single family home.

Mr. Cegelka asked Mr. Rohinsky if this property has been filled.

Mr. Rohinsky said no.

Mr. Cegelka said that this property was filled. There was a lot of fill brought in for this property.

Mr. Jones asked what Mr. Rohinsky planned to do with the drainage from the site.

Mr. Rohinsky said he has an infiltration system set up.

Chairman Knapp said it is a proposed storm water recharger unit. Chairman Knapp asked who will maintain the recharger unit.

Mr. Rohinsky said he is not sure who will maintain it. If it is installed properly it should be alright.

Chairman Knapp asked Mr. Rohinsky if he submitted the drainage calculations.

Mr. Rohinsky said he didn't know.

Mr. Holman said looking at the map there are no wetlands on the site. He said his biggest concern is that the City Engineer hasn't reviewed the map. It would be in the best interest to table until he reviews the map and drainage. He said the Inland Wetlands Commission has a procedure that is followed and the City Engineer has to review the maps, the drainage and the systems that you proposed on the map. The system you are proposing the Commission has never seen before.

Mr. Holman made a motion to send the application to the City Engineer for review and written comment. Mr. Jones seconded. All in favor, so carried.

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Chairman Knapp said the Commission usually conducts a site inspection for each application received.

Mr. Cegelka said the Commission should conduct a site inspection on this property.

Mr. Holman made a motion to conduct a site inspection on Saturday, October 2, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the site. Mr. Jones seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Violations

6 to 10 Howard Avenue (one building)

Mr. Cegelka said he went with Mr. D'Amico to #6 through #10 Howard Avenue because there is a constant flow of water coming out from the house. A lot of work has been done there and there are no permits. They installed pipes and the water is flowing.

Mr. Tanner said he will contact Mr. D'Amico and go take a look at the property.

Mr. Holman asked that he be contacted when they go over to this property because he would like to be present.

3 Kiely's Lane

Mr. Tanner said he has been to 3 Kiely's Lane two weeks ago with Mr. D'Amico and Mr. Schryver. There is water from upper Spring Street and it is too much water for the plunge pool to take this run off. He discussed the water situation on Spring Street and the catch basins that are in the street. They are discussing putting the water from Spring Street into the other catch basin. There was no problem with water runoff to Jewett Street before the house was constructed. He said it will be repaired and there is discussion of pulling the bond and they will go from there.

Mr. Cegelka made a motion to request a written report from Fred D'Amico outlining his findings, recommendations, piping and costs, etc. and who is paying for this repair to Spring Street/Kiely's Lane. Mr. Jones seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Holman said this is a tough site – the backyard goes straight down.

Chairman Knapp said there were neighbors from Jewett Street here at our meetings complaining about the runoff and the erosion of their property.

Mr. Tanner said the runoff from Spring Street is all coming right down through the property on Kiely's Lane to Jewett St. There are two directions and the thought is to relocate the catch basins Mr. Nocerino installed.

Mr. Jones said the plunge pool can't handle the flow of water – how will that be fixed.

The Commission will wait to hear from Mr. D'Amico on his findings.

Any other business to come before the Commission

Coastal Carriers of Connecticut LLC

Mr. John Pruchnicki, Coastal Carriers was present. He asked to be heard regarding a request to amend the Coastal Carriers IWC permit.

Mr. Pruchnicki gave everyone a copy of the revised map and letter explaining what they want to do on the site.

Mr. Pruchnicki said the tank will be in the same place but it will be turned. He said the Fire Marshall Ralph Tingley said they had to move the tank when he was at the site. He said Mr. Tingley spoke with the State Fire Marshall on this. The direction of the tank right now is north to south. They want to move the tank east to west to give them more room to get the tankers through.

Chairman Knapp read the letter from Coastal Carriers. He asked Mr. Pruchnicki if the tank is a double walled tank.

Mr. Pruchnicki said it is a double walled tank.

Chairman Knapp read the letter received from Mr. D'Amico, City Engineer recommending approval.

Chairman Knapp said the fee and bond have been paid for the original permit. This is an amendment to the permit.

Mr. Cegelka made a motion to approve the relocation of the tank. Mr. Holman seconded. All in favor, so carried.

October Meeting

The October meeting will be held on Thursday, October 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

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Executive Session (if needed)

None.

Adjourn

Mr. Holman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Mr. Jones seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo-Lynn Flaherty
Secretary