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TOWN OF HEBRON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2010
REGULAR MEETING

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Anne C. Hughes
HEBRON TOWN CLERK

TOWN OFFICE BUILDING MEETING ROOM

Members Present: J. Mullaney, L. Maynard, R. Warner, T. Gauthier, T. Loto

Members Absent: T. Nofer

Staff Present: J. Soderberg

J. Mullaney called the regular meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting – March 11, 2010:

T. Gauthier moved, seconded by R. Warner to approve the March 11, 2010 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Additions to Agenda: J. Soderberg made a correction on the ending date of Petition 10-05 from 5-14-10 to 6-11-10.

J. Mullaney wants to apply for an open space grant.

Recognition of Guests: attendance sheet attached.

New Applications:

Petition 10-05, James Grossman, 9 Woodland Drive, Westport, CT 06880 -32-lot subdivision on 127.75 acres between south of Lake Road, east of Church St. (Rte. 85) and west of Hillcrest Drive.

(Received 3-11-10; 65 days - 6-11-10):

J. Soderberg anticipates receiving soil and engineering reports from Town staff. A public hearing will be set, based on those staff reports. There is a question on the application; the Conservation Commission needs to look at the application from 2008, as well as the March 11, 2010 application. The applicant will make a presentation at our May 13, 2010 meeting to bring us up to date.

Pending Applications: Petition 10-02, Helen Boucher, 32 Lebanon Road, Amston – Request to lower the stream (Raymond Brook) that flows under Route 207 (south side) onto and through her property **(Received 3-11-10 ~ 65 days ~ 5-14-10):**

The Conservation Commission will discuss this at the May 13, 2010 meeting.

Minutes Approved on _____
With Corrections _____
Clerk Initial _____ Date _____

Wetland Agent Approvals:

Petition 10-04, Joe and Sylvia Torneo, 151 Gilead St., Hebron – Relocation of a driveway within a regulated area:

They moved the driveway (see map), with no greater impact, other than the soil's erosion control. They built a trench before the recent storms.

Violations:

Violation 08-18V – Patti Matthews, 108 Jan Drive, Hebron – Excavation of soils within a wetland:

J. Soderberg will send them a letter notifying them they need to remediate this situation during the dry season. They will be removing soils and sandbags to allow the stream to flow freely.

Violation 10-03V, Camp Connecticut, 551 Old Colchester Rd. – Clear cut, drainage ditches and excavation of soils within a regulated area:

J. Soderberg and J. Summers received a letter from Camp Connecticut regarding returning the range site back to its original condition.

Ralph Nesci said they were going to wait for the land to dry and return to its natural condition. The Northeast Utilities property is wet from the rain, it washed the road out. Camp Connecticut wants to put an 18" culvert in, but they need to get approval from Northeast Utilities and the Conservation Commission. J. Mullaney thinks they should have a separate application and have an engineer look at it. Jay Kowalski said another culvert on the property is washing out a hole. They want to replace an existing culvert on the property with a larger one. The Commission suggests they contact a civil engineer to size the culvert.

T. Loto wants to know if there is a plan for the remediation work to be done. Ralph Nesci said they want to doze the banks together. J. Soderberg suggested putting hay or woodchips in for erosion control. J. Soderberg said the Planning and Zoning Commission does not allow public or private shooting ranges. Bryan Williams calls it a "shooting area", not a shooting range and it's deep into the property, away from the public.

J. Mullaney said that Judd Brook runs through that area and it's an important resource. J. Soderberg said it's a 200' regulated area, and he doesn't want to see sediment from erosion. He will go over the plan with Camp Connecticut. J. Mullaney and L. Maynard wants to walk to the site and report back to the Commission. Mr. Nesci asks if they can put up a silt fence now. J. Mullaney says yes.

Rich Trudell, VP of Camp Connecticut asks if they can remove the trees along the right of way. J. Mullaney said yes. J. Soderberg told them to give him a call to look at the trees. He also said to have an engineer give them input, such as drainage calculations.

Pre-applications: None

Other Pertinent Business:

Discontinuance and Abandonment of Certain Roads

J. Soderberg stated that Planning and Zoning have walked some of the roads. Jim Celio owns property on Schoolhouse Road and asks if there is a timeframe of when the determination of the roads will be. Property owners on these roads would have to disclose information to buyers about possible actions if they were to sell their property. He would like to know as soon as possible if they can take some of the roads off the abandonment list. J. Soderberg said two members from each commission are to make recommendations regarding these roads. J. Mullaney said he'll try to expedite the process; he will speak to M. O'Leary. The final decision comes from the Selectman.

Hebron Harvest Fair:

J. Mullaney will call Shelly Green from Salmon Brook regarding setting up a booth at the fair.

Eagle Scout Project at The Old Town Pound on the Jeremy Brook at Chestnut Hill Road:

The proposed parking is on private property, J. Soderberg spoke to Donna McCalla about moving the parking to Chestnut Hill Road and have people walk in. He hasn't heard anything from her or the scout.

2010 Municipal Inland Wetland Commissioners Training Program:

See J. Soderberg if anyone is interested in going, he has a free voucher.

Correspondence:

J. Mullaney - The town had a meeting last Thursday and voted to purchase two parcels of open space at the end of Heron Hill Trail and Kinney Road (Horton property). It will be a good conservation development. J. Mullaney would like to apply for a state grant for the Kinney Road parcel. He would like a recommendation from the commission, they do support it.

T. Loto made a motion to apply for the grant, seconded by T. Gauthier. The motion passed unanimously.

March 23, 2010 - From Lewis Hinman, Chairman, PZC regarding Implementation of the Plan of Conservation and Development: Mullaney will talk to M. O'Leary about Natural Resource inventory.

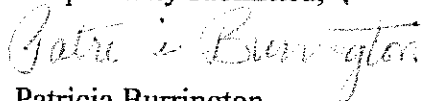
Connecticut Environmental Review Team Information

The Habitat newsletter

Adjournment:

T. Gauthier mad a motion to adjourn, R. Warner seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:07pm. The next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2010.

Respectfully submitted, .



Patricia Burrington
Board Clerk

