

**Town of Preston
Conservation/Inland/Wetlands Commission
Tuesday, December 18, 2007
Preston Town Hall
7:30 P.M.**

Regular Meeting

1) Call to Order

Chairman Borner called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2) Roll Call

Kent Borner, Chairman

David Krug (alternate)

John Moulson, V. Chairman (arrived 7:32)

Gerald Grabarek

Also Present:

Paul Andruskiewicz

Len Johnson – IW Agent (arrived 7:31)

Douglas Fox, Secretary

Kathleen Nichols - Recorder

Timothy Bowles (excused)

Timothy Bray

Chairman Borner seated D. Krug.

3) Approval of minutes of the November 20, 2007 Regular Meeting and site walk November 24, 2007 for 42 Bunny Road and site walk November 24, 2007 for 34 Lake View Drive.

A motion was made by P. Andruskiewicz, seconded by G. Grabarek to approve the minutes of November 20, 2007.

No further discussion. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Following the approval of the minutes of November 20, 2007, Mr. Bilodeau, Preston resident questioned where the minutes of the two site walks held November 24, 2007 were. Chairman Borner stated that they did conduct the site walks; however, there were no minutes taken and therefore could not be approved. They were posted on the agenda in error.

4) Communications

a. Town Planners Report – no report at this time.

b. Election of Officers

Election of Officers will be done at the January, 2008 meeting.

c. “Registry of Soil Scientists” from Society of Soil Scientists of Southern New England.

d. Letter from Eastern CT Conservation District, Inc., request for donation.

e. Copy of “CT Town & City” from CT Conference of Municipalities.

f. Copy of “CT Wildlife” from CT DEP of Environmental Protection Bureau of Natural Resources – Wildlife Division.

- g. Letter from CT Fund for the Environment directed to Robert Congdon, forwarded to Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission requesting to set up an opportunity to speak to the Commission.
- h. Letter from resident re: concerns relative to Deer Brook Road area.
It was determined that this is a zoning issue.

5) Public Hearings

- a. **IW Application #07-21, Red Feather, LLC, applicant, Heinz & Pauline Seligman, owners (received at Town Hall on October 10, 2007) (received at IW meeting on October 16, 2007) for property located at 29 & 32 Roosevelt Avenue; subdivision with new road, culvert crossing wetland, stormwater basin, septic system within 100' of wetland and piped stormwater discharges to a wetland.**
See separate minutes of the public hearing.

G. Grabarek was reseated at this time.

6) Old Business

- a. **IW Application #07-17, Thomas R. Moretta, owner/applicant, (received at Town Hall September 18, 2007) (received at IW meeting October 16, 2007) for property located at 34 Lake View Drive, allow kayak access to lake front.** The applicant was not present at the meeting. A site walk was conducted on November 24, 2007 and the Commission had requested that the applicant be present at the next regular meeting. The Commission requested that the applicant be contacted and request that he attend the next regular scheduled meeting or a cease and desist will be issued.

This application has been tabled until the January, 2008 meeting.

- b. **IW Application #07-21, Red Feather, LLC, applicant, Heinz & Pauline Seligman, owners (received at Town Hall on October 10, 2007) (received at IW meeting on October 16, 2007) for property located at 29 & 32 Roosevelt Avenue; subdivision with new road, culvert crossing wetland, stormwater basin, septic system within 100' of wetland and piped stormwater discharges to a wetland.**

The Public Hearing for Application #-07-21 has been continued until the January 2008 meeting. No action taken.

7) New Business

None

8) Other Matters

G. Grabarek noted that at the BOS meeting of November 29, 2007, the Board of Selectmen reappointed P. Andruskiewicz to the Inland Wetland Commission for a six-year term from 1/1/2008.

9) Violation & Orders

None

10) Wetland Agents Report

L. Johnson reported that he received a call from the State of DEP re: Mr. Watrous, property located at 8 Pequot Street. He provided a copy of a follow up letter from DEP dated November 27, 2007 to the Commission. The DEP sited Mr. Watrous and stated he had 30 days to remove the following:

- A 4' wide by 8' long timber landing supported by four timber posts attached to four concrete sono-tubes, associated with a set of timber stairs located landward of the high tide line;
- Several sections of a cut tree and a tire within a section of tidal wetland vegetation;
- A 13' long and an 8' long cinder block wall waterward of the HTL; and
- A wooden structure and timber debris.

Mr. Watrous needs to remove the noted and has 45 days to respond to DEP or be subject to a \$1,000/day fine. L. Johnson provided additional details to DEP regarding the progress IW has made with Mr. Watrous.

P. Andruskiewicz asked L. Johnson about Steve Tardiff, property located at 39 Benjamin Road. L. Johnson reported that he will follow up with Mr. Tardiff.

- 11) A motion was made by D. Krug, seconded by P. Andruskiewicz to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Nichols
Recorder