Town of Preston
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission
Tuesday, March 17 2020
Preston Town Hall
7:30p.m.
Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order
Chairman Moulson called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call
Regular Members
John Moulson, Chairman
Gerald Grabarek, V. Chairman - excused
Paul Andruskiewicz
Chuck Bartnicki - absent
Doug Fox
Jerry Morales - absent
Ian Stammel - absent

Also Present
Len Johnson, IW Agent
Roberta Charpentier, Recorder

Chairman Moulson seated Roberta Charpentier

2. Approval of Minutes
   a) February 18 2020, Regular Meeting minutes

A motion was made by P. Andruskiewicz and seconded by D. Fox to approve the February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes as presented.
All in favor. Motion carries.

3. Communications
   a) Inland Wetlands Application #2020-02, Fairy LLC, Owner/Applicant for property located at 363 Route 165; Installation of gas tanks.
   b) Inland Wetlands Application #2020-03, Katherine Amedy, Applicant and Eugene Theroux, Owner for property located at 81 Benjamin Road; Build a retaining wall with shed/garage and deck.
   c) Inland Wetlands Application #2020-04, Erik Freidenfelds, Owner/Applicant for property located at 103 Lewis Road; Construction of a single-family residence.
   f) Letter from Len Johnson approving release of $500 bond for project IW Application IW-2018-05 located at 293 Route 165.
   g) ECCD Outlook, Plant Sale 2020 Edition.
   h) IWWC Application Status
4. Old Business
Inland Wetlands Application #2020-01, Pete Schiro, Applicant/Owner for property located at 22 Branch Hill Road; wetlands within 100 feet of placement of 12X32 storage shed.

A motion was made by P. Andruskiewicz and seconded by R. Charpentier to approve Inland Wetlands Application #2020-01.
All in favor. Motion carries

5. New Business
a) Inland Wetlands Application #2020-02, Fairy LLC, Owner/Applicant for property located at 363 Route 165; Installation of gas tanks.
Paul Tanner, LEP and Amy Maguire, Project Manager, Service Station Equipment present to speak on behalf of the applicant Nikunj Baxi.
  • Installation of a 15,000 of a two compartment tank
  • Presented a conceptual diagram showing the proposed location of the tank
Chairman Moulson stated that the IWWC should decide if a permit is needed.
Len Johnson noted that a permit is not required because the excavation will take place beyond 100 feet from the wetlands.
Len Johnson explain there is no permit required really. He and Chairman Moulson wanted it brought before the Commission in case anyone had any questions.

A motion was made by P. Andruskiewicz and seconded by D. Fox to reimburse the applicant $85.00 because the activity is outside of the 100 foot review area and any discharge will be under the jurisdiction of CT DEP.
All in favor. Motion carries.

b) Inland Wetlands Application #2020-03, Katherine Amedy, Applicant and Eugene Theroux, Owner for property located at 81 Benjamin Road; Build a retaining wall with shed/garage and deck.
Katherine Amedy explained that the property has limited space so they would like to be allowed to infringe on the wetland buffer a few feet in order to build a shed and deck.
Len Johnson explained that the property has a very steep drop-off so it is hard to determine the wetland boundary.
The Commission requested more information be put on the plans;
  • Location with dimensions of retaining wall with distance to the wetlands.
  • Location with dimensions of shed.
  • Location with dimensions of deck.
  • Wetlands delineated

c) Inland Wetlands Application #2020-04, Erik Freidenfelds, Owner/Applicant for property located at 103 Lewis Road; Construction of a single-family residence.

A motion was made by P. Andruskiewicz and seconded by D. Fox to scheduled a site walk at 103 Lewis Road for Saturday March 21st at 9:00 am.
All in favor. Motion carries.
d) Letter from Len Johnson approving release of $500 bond for project Inland Wetlands Application #2018-05, Home Improvements & Maintenance, LLC, Applicant/Owner for property located at 293 Route 165; Review of 1 lot subdivision.

A motion was made by D. Fox and seconded by P. Andruskiewicz to release the $500 bond to Home Improvements & Maintenance, LLC contingent on Len Johnson submitting final photographs of the finished project.
All in favor. Motion carries.

6. Public Hearing
None

7. Violations & Orders
None

8. Wetlands Agent Report
   a. Wetlands Agent Report dated February 13 – March 11, 2020

9. Other Matters – Public Comment
None

10. Legal Actions
None

11. Adjournment
A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm.
All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Charpentier
recorder