LITCHFIELD INLAND WETLAND COMMISSION Regular February 13, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Annex, 80 Doyle Rd., Bantam, CT

Call to Order: Vice Chairman Barbara Brower called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Robert Blazek (7:04 p.m.), Barbara Brower, Abby Conroy, Jack Hamill, and Jack Healy. Also present were Ann Combs, Recording Secretary, and Dennis Tobin, Ph.D, Wetlands Agent.

Members Absent: Frederick Minck, Anthony Paradise

Public Comment: None

Appointment of Alternates: None

Motion: A. Conroy moved to add to the agenda, 9a. "Morosani – 164 Wigwam Road, Install Swim/Spa

Pool."

Second: J. Healy

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

<u>APPLICATION RECEPTIONS</u>

1. Town of Litchfield – Brooks Road (Bridge over West Branch of Bantam River) 2/13/19 Replacement of existing structurally deficient 14 ft. span bridge with a double cell culvert depressed 1 ft. below the streambed, backfilled with one foot of natural streambed material

Raz Alexe, Public Works Director and Town Engineer, explained the design and will replace one box culvert at a time, keeping one lane open. It will take 2-1/2 months, July – September. This bridge is a safety concern and must be done soon.

Motion: A. Conroy moved to approve the application of Town of Litchfield for Brooks Road Bridge over the West Branch of the Bantam River.

Second: J. Healy

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

2. Town of Litchfield – Moosehorn Road (Bridge over Moosehorn Brook) Replacement of existing structurally deficient 108" CMP with a 12x6' open bottom precast concrete arch founded on rock with a low flow channel inside

Mr. Alexe said this bridge is very close to Thomaston and the land surrounding it belongs to the City of Waterbury. He is working on determining who owns the right-of-way. They are replacing the rotted pipe with a precast arch, and they must have easements and rights-of-way in place from the City of Waterbury.

They will need approval for a 20 mph speed limit to avoid changing the geometry of the road. This is 50/50 State/local funding, and it will be completed this summer.

Motion: J. Healy moved to approve the replacement of Moosehorn Road Bridge over Moosehorn Brook, Bridge No. 073-026, for plans prepared by Cardinal Engineering Associates dated 12/2018.

Second: B. Brower

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

APPPLICATION CONSIDERATIONS

3. NW Custom Homes – 58 Karl Street

2/13/19

Permit modification (Permit #CC0001341) to add grading and drainage

No one was present, so this will be moved to the March meeting.

4. Levy – 22 Avalon Lane

2/13/19

After-the-fact application for clearing of shrubbery and trees

Jeffrey Levy asked via email dated 2/13/19 for an extension until the March meeting. Commissioners have permission to walk the property.

5. Lavoie - 25 Avalon Lane

2/13/19

Agent determination for restoring hayfield

Dr. Tobin explained the clearing work that was done on brush and invasive species, leaving the trees.

6. Hagan – 38 North Shore Road

2/13/19

Demolish and rebuild dwelling, construct driveway, remove stump, repoint lake wall, remove and install new holding tank & replenish sand on existing beach

Dennis McMorrow, Berkshire Engineering and Surveying, was present to explain the property and the work to be done. He believes the holding tank is partially on the neighbor's property. The new concrete tank will meet the 10-ft. requirement from the property line. There will be a walk-out basement with flood vents. They are decreasing the non-conformity status of this project. They are using silt fence during the work. A 35-day extension was granted by Mr. McMorrow so commissioners could see the property.

7. Cozy Hills Campground – 1311 Bantam Road

2/13/19

After-the-fact for regrading for outdoor theater. After-the-fact for clearing understory & mulch for laser tag area. Additional application for proposed drainage improvements for storm water management.

Dennis McMorrow, Berkshire Engineering and Surveying, explained investigating the erosion issues after heavy rains. He discovered the understory clearing and the grading in the regulated area. The wetlands have been flagged. The improvements include drainage catch basins and riprap, and they will pave the hill. Additional plunge pools will be added. A 35-day extension was granted by Mr. McMorrow so commissioners could see the property.

APPLICATION RECEPTIONS

8. Clean Harbors/Al Barrozo – Village Green Dr.

2/13/19

Remediate gasoline contaminated soil

Derrick Jones, WSP, was present. Dr. Tobin explained a permit was granted in 2014, but he was told he will need to come in for a new permit for a different area. Tanks that were removed in the '80s still have impacted soils remaining that were being removed, but they stopped work because of utilities in the area. The recent digging was stopped to obtain a permit. Mr. Jones will oversee the project and said the soil will be trucked to Clean Earth's facility in Plainville, with no stockpiling. They may stage clean fill to put back in the hole.

Motion: J. Hamill moved to approve an application by Clean Harbors/Al Barrozo, 6645 Federal Square Realty LLC, 7 Village Green Drive, M/B/L 196/49/29, to remediate gasoline contaminated soil on ½ acre and remove fill.

Second: R. Blazek

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

9. Lopane - 171 Marsh Road

2/13/19

Addition to house (16x16'); accessory building (16x21')

Stephen Lopane explained the addition on piers to the home to accommodate a wood-burning fireplace. The accessory building will be a post and beam shed on slab for storage. J. Healy said there is nothing complicated for this permit.

Motion: B. Brower moved to approve the application of Stephen Lopane for an addition to the house (16'x16') and accessory building (16'x21') with no storage of hazardous materials, using silt fence and hay bales. Mr. Lopane added that to the application, along with change in dimensions to the house addition. **Second:** J. Hamill

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

9a. Morosani - 162 Wigwam Road

2/13/19

Install swim/spa pool

J. Morosani said there are three houses on the driveway. He would like to put in a tiny heated pool (7'x13') that is 5 ft. deep. It is located in a flat area, and the wetlands are 108 ft. away.

Motion: A. Conroy moved to approve the application by John Morosani, 164 Wigwam Road, for a swim/spa pool at 162 Wigwam Road, with bluestone patio around the pool.

Second: B. Brower

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

10. New Business: None

11. Old Business – VanGerve – 606 Milton Road: Dr. Tobin reported discovering he was building box culverts, but decided not to do it and told Dr. Tobin he had no plans to cross the stream. He took everything out.

12. Approval of Minutes of December 12, 2018 (only FM absent) BB/RTB all aye.

Motion: B. Brower moved to adopt the minutes of 12/12/18.

Second: R. Blazek

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

13. Correspondence

- 3/14/19 - CT Assn. of Wetland Scientists hosts 2019 Annual Meeting & Environmental Conference

- DEEP letter to Town of Thomaston received 2/113/19 Re Nystrom Pond Dam request for engineering and maintenance work

14. Possible Executive Session: None

15. Adjournment

Motion: J. Hamill moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Second: B. Brower

Vote: All voted aye and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann D. Combs, Recording Secretary

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