# TOWN OF BROOKLYN AQUIFER PROTECTION AGENCY

Special Meeting Wednesday, November 1, 2017 RESCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 17, 2017

> Clifford B. Green Meeting Center 69 South Main Street 6:30 p.m.

# **MINUTES**

- **I.** Call to Order Chair, Michelle Sigfridson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
- **II. Roll Call** Michelle Sigfridson; Carlene Kelleher; Craig Dunlop; D. Fuss; A. Kerouac; J. Mohn; Jules D'Agostino.

Alan Carpenter was absent with notice.

**Staff Present** – Jana Roberson, Director of Community Development.

### **III. Seating of Alternates**

Motion was made by A. Kerouac to seat J. D'Agostino as a Voting Member. Second by C. Dunlop. Motion carried unanimously (6-0-0).

#### IV. New Business

- a. Reading of Legal Notice Read by J. Roberson. Ms. Roberson explained that the public hearing was unable to be held on October 17, 2017, due to a notice error (Agenda had not been posted on the Town's website), but that it was sufficiently noticed for a rescheduled public hearing (a sign was posted on the door on October 17<sup>th</sup> confirming that the public hearing had been continued to November 1, 2017).
- **b.** Public Hearing on Adoption of Aquifer Protection Regulations M. Sigfridson opened the public hearing.
  - J. Roberson gave a brief presentation of the draft document and explained that it is mandated by the State that any public supply well head be protected. She indicated the area on a map showing the well head protection area in Brooklyn that would be affected by the Aquifer Protection Area Regulations. Fortunately, the area mostly consists of residential properties which is not thought to have any particular risk to ground water. Some land uses that would negatively impact ground water are gas stations with underground storage tanks, dry cleaners and crematories. The owner of the Tiffany Mill Complex will be contacted regarding whether there is, or ever was, a use that may be on the list of uses that must be registered with the State to be monitored. Uses identified on the State's list will be prohibited as new uses in the Aquifer Protection Area (however, there is an appeals process).

There was discussion regarding the following topics:

- Tiffany Mill which has not been confirmed yet as to whether it would need to be registered with the State Agency to be monitored.
- Whether water/sewer upgrades would apply.
- Whether there are any residences in the area with underground storage tanks or if there are abandoned underground tanks.
- Should there be an investigation/testing regarding hazardous materials in the case of fire on a property in the area.
- Page 24, Section 14 Enforcement, Item (a).
- J. Roberson explained that a land use inventory has been done and there are three property owners within the area that need to be interviewed to determine if they need to be registered.

There were no comments from the public.

Once the Regulations are approved/adopted, the State sets the effective date.

There was discussion regarding whether the Commission should take more time to review the draft. There was no request by any Member of the Commission for additional time.

There was discussion regarding the fee schedule (page 27). A. Kerouac feels that there is no need for additional fees (due to the limited scope). However, the Regulations give the Commission the ability to waive the fees. There was consensus not to make any changes.

## c. Possible Action on Aquifer Protection Regulations

Motion was made by D. Fuss to adopt the Town of Brooklyn Aquifer Protection Area Regulations in accordance with the requirements of the State of CT Aquifer Protection Area Program (CGS §22a-354a to §22a-354bb). Second by C. Dunlop. Motion carried unanimously (7-0-0).

Motion was made by D. Fuss to close the public hearing regarding the adoption of the Town of Brooklyn Aquifer Protection Area Regulations. Second by J. Mohn. Motion carried unanimously (7-0-0).

Next meeting of the Aquifer Protection Agency to be determined after the State approves the plan and sets the effective date.

#### V. Adjourn

Motion was made by D. Fuss to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Second by A. Kerouac. Motion carried unanimously (7-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

J.S. Perreault Recording Secretary