

**Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes**

The Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting, Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at the Clifford B. Green Memorial Center, 69 South Main Street on the following:

Members Present: Real Gallant, Erik Costa, Jeffrey Arends, Robert Rossi, Melissa Labossiere, Lester Phillips, Charlie Pappas and George Sipila.

Absent: None.

Staff Present: Chuck Dobrowski, Wetlands Agent and Audrey Cross-Lussier, Recording Secretary.

Also Present: Norm Thibeault, KEA Engineering.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Seating of Alternates: None.

Approval of Minutes:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2012.

A motion was made by Jeff Arends to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 10, 2012 with a correction made to "page 4 next month's meeting date under IWWC Regulations" should be February 14, 2012. Erik Costa seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Public Commentary: None.

New Application Acceptance:

1. 021412A Town of Brooklyn Recreation Commission; Riverside Park, Greenway Drive off of Day Street, Map 42, Lot 75, R-10 Zone; Construction of parking lots, ball fields, sand volley ball court and future construction of concession/restroom building and gazebo. Utilities to serve project will be installed (water, power, septic system). Walking trails will be constructed northwest of access drive.

Mr. Dobrowski stated that the application is complete.

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A motion was made by Jeff Arends to accept application 021412A. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes. Erik Costa abstains.

2. 021412B Premier Chevrolet, Inc., 512 Providence Road, Map 41, Lot 14, PC Zone; Proposed Parking Expansion and Water Quality Basin.

Mr. Dobrowski stated that the application is complete.

Norm Thibeault, KEA Engineering Associates gives the Commission a brief synopsis of the application. The proposed is to expand the parking in the rear of Premier Chevrolet with re-grading, paving, placement of a concrete pad for dumpsters, edge curbing and installation of a water quality basin.

A motion was made by Charlie Pappas to accept application 021412B. Lester Philips seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes. Robert Rossi abstains.

Reading of Legal Notice: None.

Public Hearings: None.

Meeting Business Proceeds

Unfinished Business: None.

Other Business:

1. Discussion of Updates to the Inland Wetlands Regulations-Permitted Uses as of Right and Non-Regulated Uses.

Commission members reviewed the hand out of the updates that were supplied at last month's meeting. Discussion held.

A motion was made by Real Gallant to set a public hearing for April 10, 2012. Jeff Arends seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

2. Austin Tanner, First Selectman Discussion of Purchase of Eggs Property.

A motion was made by Jeff Arends to bring this item onto the agenda. Robert Rossi seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Austin Tanner, First Selectman discusses the proposed Town purchase of the Eggs Property. The Town is interested in purchasing the rear 55 acres of the property in the RA Zone for a price of \$700,000 for 10 years with an interest free loan - \$70,000 a year. The property is strategically located connected to the school and Route 205 with three access points to Route 205. There is sewer and city water available. The property could be used for future municipal needs. Selectman Tanner has been acquiring approval/endorsement from various Boards and

Commission prior to setting a Town Meeting. Selectman Tanner stated that a Town meeting has been tentatively set for March 27th which will then adjourn to a referendum on April 3rd.

Mr. Tanner updated the Commission on the remaining buildings on the property – 3 mobile homes and 3+ chicken coops. Discussion held.

Erik Costa voiced his approval and support for the Town to purchase the Eggs Property.

Robert Rossi voiced his approval and support for the Town to purchase the Eggs Property.

Selectman Tanner stated a suggestion received was to schedule a site walk of the property for Town residents on an upcoming Saturday. George Sipila suggested providing a wagon hay ride of the property for residents. Mr. Tanner agreed with Mr. Sipila's suggestion.

A motion was made by Erik Costa to support/endorse the Town purchasing the Eggs Property. Robert Rossi seconds this motion. Discussion held. Vote was taken. All members in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

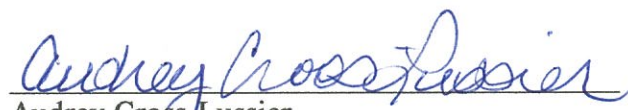
3. Discussion of 2012-2013 Budget.

A motion was made by Erik Costa to bring this item onto the agenda. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Commission members discussed the proposed 2012-2013 budget with Selectman Tanner. Chairman Gallant commented that last year the Commission made a substantial cut in the budget, therefore no further cuts should be made. Discussion held.

Chairman Gallant updated the Commission that notification has been received from the State of Connecticut Department of Corrections with regards to the renewal of the DEEP Inland Wetland Water Resources General Permit to install a new security fence at the Brooklyn Correctional Institution, 59 Hartford Road.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Jeff Arends to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.


Audrey Cross-Lussier
Recording Secretary