

Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission

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Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

The Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting Tuesday, April 10, 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, George Sipila, Melissa Labossiere and Lester Philips (arrived at 6:05 p.m.)

Absent: Robert Rossi and Jeff Arends with notice. Charlie Pappas without notice.

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

Also Present: Alan and Ann Marie Morin.

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

Seating of Alternates: Melissa Labossiere for Jeff Arends.

Approval of Minutes:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2012.

A motion was made by George Sipila to approve the meeting minutes of March 13, 2012. No discussion held. All in favor. Erik Costa abstains. The motion passes.

Public Commentary: None.

New Application Acceptance: None.

Reading of Legal Notice: Chairman Gallant reads the public hearing notice into the record.

Public Hearings:

1. Amendments of Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations.

A motion was made by Erik Costa to open the public hearing. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

No discussion was held on the amendments.

A motion was made by Erik Costa to close the public hearing. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Meeting Business Proceeds:

Unfinished Business:

1. Amendments of Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations.

A motion was made by Erik Costa to approve the Amendments of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations as written. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

2. 031312A Eric Hendrickson, 230 Tripp Hollow Road, Map 14, Lot 10-6, RA Zone; Building of a 34 x 27 Standalone Garage to sit on a poured slab foundation with no bathroom in the garage.

In the absence of Eric Hendrickson, Wetlands Agent Chuck Dobrowski represented the application.

The property is located on 230 Tripp Hollow Road and the proposed is to build a 34 x 27 standalone garage with no bathroom facilities. Mr. Dobrowski demonstrates on the site plan where the house is located on the property and where the proposed garage is to be constructed which is approximately 100 feet from the edge of the wetlands. The area is relatively flat, heavily wooded with a drop of approximately 5 feet.

A motion was made by Erik Costa to approve application 031312A. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Lester Philips arrives at 6:05 p.m.

Other Business:

1. Action by Duly Authorized Agent: Alan Morin, 33 Grandview Terrace, Map 32, Lot 77, Maintenance of a fire pond with a Brush Hog.

Chuck Dobrowski stated that Mortlake Fire Department has a fire pond located Grandview Terrace that is located on the Morin's property. Around the pond is overgrown with pickers and invasive species. The Morin's would like to Brush Hog the edge of the pond to remove the pickers and invasive species.

Last week Mr. Dobrowski, Chairman Gallant and Mr. Morin visited the site to review the proposed maintenance. Mr. Dobrowski stated that the maintenance would be done by Dale Lyons who would remain out of the water's edge. Mr. Dobrowski feels that no irreparable damage would be done by this maintenance and this falls under the maintenance guidelines of the Inland Wetlands Regulations. Discussion held.

Chairman Gallant asked Mr. Dobrowski to make note that Mr. Morin is only maintaining the edge of the wetlands and not the entire surrounding wetlands. Mr. Dobrowski agreed to notate that the maintenance is to be done on the north and west sides of the pond.

Mr. Morin commented that in the future he would like to clean out the pond and inquired about the permitting process for such a project. Mr. Dobrowski addressed this with Mr. Morin informing him that a full Inland Wetlands permit would be necessary.

2. 071211A Michael Bunning, Pomfret Road/Herrick Road, Map 26, Lot 3 RA Zone, 4-Lot Subdivision (3 new and 1 existing) previously approved August 9, 2011.

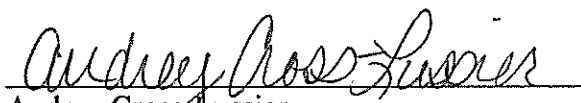
Mr. Dobrowski commented that Mr. Bunning went to the Zoning Board of Appeals to apply for a variance for 4-lots on an access strip which was denied.

Norm Thibeault, Killingly Engineering Associates submitted a redesigned plan reconstructing the driveway. A new curb cut to the south of the existing curb cut was obtained. The wetlands are to the west of the proposed driveway with no wetlands crossing or filling in of the wetlands proposed.

Mr. Dobrowski questioned the Commission if they felt that this was a modification of the original application or would they request a whole new application. Discussion held. It was the consensus of the Commission that this is a modification of the existing permit 071211A.

Mr. Dobrowski will inform Mr. Thibeault of the Commission's decision and have him present the redesigned plan at next month's meeting.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Lester Philips to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. Erik Costa seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.


Audrey Cross-Lussier
Recording Secretary