

Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission

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Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

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The Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at the Clifford B. Green Memorial Center, 69 South Main Street on the following:

Members Present: Real Gallant, Melissa Labossiere, Jeff Arends, George Sipila, Lester Philips, Robert Rossi.

Absent: Erik Costa with notice.

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

Also Present: Don Dubois.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call: All members present stated their names for the record.

Seating of Alternates: None.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Jeff Arends to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 11, 2012. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Public Commentary: None.

New Application Acceptance:

1. 100912A Carol J. Linkkila, 140 Elliott Road, Map 12, Lot 6, RA Zone – Addition to house-three season room 12 x 28.

Chuck Dobrowski reviewed the application which is complete. Mr. Dobrowski stated that Ms. Linkkila would like to construct a three season room addition to the house which is approximately 25 feet away from a manmade pond. The applicant will not be available for tonight's meeting or the November meeting; therefore Mr. Dobrowski is representing the application. If there are any further questions Mr. Dobrowski suggests the Commission entertain a site walk of the property. It does not have to be a formal site walk as it is visible from the road.

A motion was made by Jeff Arends to accept application 100912A. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Commission members discussed scheduling a site walk. It was the consensus of the Commission that an informal site walk will be done. Each member will visit the site at their convenience before next month's meeting.

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

New Public Hearings: None.

Continued Public Hearings:

- 1. 081412C Saveway Petroleum, 49 South Main Street, Map 41, Lot 56, PC Zone; Discharge of treated ground water under CT DEEP Authorization to drainage swale. (Continued from September 11, 2012).**

A motion was made by Jeff Arends to table application 081412C public hearing to next month's regular meeting. Robert Rossi seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. 081412C Saveway Petroleum, 49 South Main Street, Map 41, Lot 56, PC Zone; Discharge of treated ground water under CT DEEP Authorization to drainage swale. (Continued from September 11, 2012).**

A motion was made by Jeff Arends to table application 081412C public hearing to next month's meeting November 13, 2012. George Sipila seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Other Business:

- 1. Tatnic Hill Road, Carl Bobrow Map 15, Lot 5, RA Zone-Selective thinning to remove trees with defect deformity and die-back in order to concentrate the growth potential of the site onto the healthier trees in the over story.**

Don Dubois, from Dubois Forestry-Brooklyn, CT represents the applicant. The property is owned by Carl Bobrow from Orange, Ohio which is located on Tatnic Hill Road. The property is approximately 18 acres; however, the operation will be on 15 acres. There are wetlands on the property designated on the topography map which Mr. Dubois demonstrates to Commission Members. Mr. Dubois discusses a drainage pipe which drains onto the applicant's property. There is a small upland area between the wetlands and a stone wall that defines the property boundary. Mr. Dubois demonstrates the loading, processing and skid trail area on the site map. The property was thinned approximately 25 years ago by the land owner. The existing woods row system will be used again. The purchaser will put down some rip-rip where the truck backs in/off the road. They are looking at 28,000 board feet of saw timber with about 9 loads of logs.

The proposed thinning will be done this winter and take approximately 3 months, however, if the weather interrupts it will take longer. There are no wetlands or stream crossings proposed.

Mr. Dobrowski walked the property approximately 4-5 years ago. The wetland is just to the left hand side of the property. Discussion held.

The entire Commission acknowledges that this can be done as a permitted use as of right.

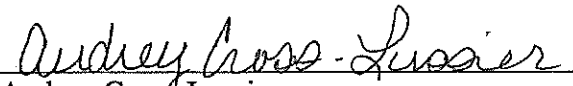
2. Discussion of Inland Wetland Training Program Segment 2.

Discussion on this item will be carried to next month's meeting November 13, 2012.

3. Tatnic Road/Windham Road Complaint.

Mr. Dobrowski stated that one day last week Ms. Cross-Lussier received telephone call from a resident to lives on the corner of Windham Road and Tatnic Road. The complaining party stated that a neighbor was working within wetlands. Mr. Dobrowski inspected the site in question and did not see any evidence of wetlands disturbance. A call was received again today with the same complaint stating that the neighbor was working with a backhoe in the wetlands over the weekend. Mr. Dobrowski again revisited the site to inspect and did not see any evidence of this happening. Mr. Dobrowski then called Chairman Gallant regarding the complaint. Chairman Gallant drove out to the site and inspected the area and did not see any evidence of any heavy equipment tracks near or around the wetland area. There was only grass planted out by the road, nothing that would constitute a disturbance. Discussion held. Jeff Arends suggested that if the resident calls again with the same complaint perhaps they could take a picture.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Robert Rossi to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m. Lester Philips seconds this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.


Audrey Cross-Lussier
Recording Secretary