INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022, 6:00 P.M.

IN PERSON ATTENDANCE: TOWN HALL ANNEX, 57 MAIN STREET, ELLINGTON, CT
REMOTE ATTENDANCE: ZOOM MEETING
(ATTENDEES BELOW WERE IN PERSON UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

PRESENT: Chairman Ken Braga, Vice Chairman Ron Brown (remote), Regular members Jean Burns, Katherine Heminway, Hocine Baouche and Alternate Francis Hann (remote)

ABSENT: Regular members Art Aube and Steve Hoffman

STAFF
PRESENT: John Colonese, Assistant Town Planner/Wetland Enforcement Officer and Barbra Galovich, Land Use Assistant/Recording Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Ken Braga called the Ellington Inland Wetlands Agency meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS (on non-agenda items): None

III. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

1. IW202115 – 74 West Road LLC, owner/applicant, request for a wetlands map amendment at 74 West Road, APN 028-002-0000.

   Time: 6:02 pm
   Seated: Braga, Brown, Burns, Heminway, Baouche and Hann

   Eric Peterson, Gardner & Peterson Associates, LLC, 178 Hartford Turnpike, Tolland, CT, was present to represent the application.

   Mr. Peterson stated there is a pending site plan modification application with the Planning & Zoning Commission for Ellington Agway, which is located on Route 83. He explained that Richard Zulick, Certified Soil Scientist, flagged the wetlands on the property and the delineation was included on the survey map provided with the wetlands map amendment application. Mr. Peterson showed on the survey where the wetland soils were located versus where the wetlands boundary is located according to the town map.
Mr. Peterson noted the elevation of the boundary on the town map is roughly 10 to 15 feet higher than the location of the flagged wetlands. He also stated the flagged wetlands are consistent with the wetlands located on the abutting property, Bolles Motors. Mr. Peterson explained the recent wetlands delineation shows that the proposed construction on the site will not be within the wetlands or the upland review area.

No one from the public spoke regarding the application.

MOVED (BURNS) SECONDED (HEMINWAY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR IW202115.

MOVED (HEMINWAY) SECONDED (BURNS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE IW202115 – 74 West Road LLC, owner/applicant, request for a wetlands map amendment at 74 West Road, APN 028-002-0000.

Map Amendment Effective Immediately, January 24, 2022

Approval based on map by Gardner & Peterson Associates, LLC known as, “Property Survey Land of 74 West Road, LLC & KUP Enterprises, LLC 74 & 80 West Road – Route 83 Ellington, Connecticut, Date 12-07-2021 Sheet No. 1 of 1 Map No. 10975”

IV. OLD BUSINESS: None

V. NEW BUSINESS: None

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

1. Approval of the December 13, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOVED (HEMINWAY) SECONDED (BURNS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 13, 2021 MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

2. Correspondence/Discussion:

a. CT DEEP – Notice of tentative decision for a permit to discharge into the waters of the state for Oakridge Dairy, LLC.

   The Agency briefly discussed the notification from the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection.

b. Timber Harvest Update.

   Mr. Colonese noted the timber harvest at 79 Kibbe Road has been completed and the harvest on Green Road started recently.
VII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED (BURNS) SECONDED (HEMINWAY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE JANUARY 24, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY AT 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Barbra Galovich, Recording Clerk