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INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022, 7:00 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 Jean Burns, Vice Chairman Katherine Heminway, Regular members Ken Braga, Ron Brown, Art Aube, Steve Hoffman and Hocine Baouche

ABSENT: Alternate Jon Kaczmarek

STAFF

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

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Jean Burns called the Ellington Inland Wetlands Agency meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

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

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. IW202110 - Juliano Family One LLC, owner/ Brian Juliano, applicant, request for modification to Wetlands Permit IW202110 to construct a detention basin and outside storage area at 100 Windermere Ave., APN 018-021-0000.

Time: 7:04 pm

Seated: Burns, Heminway, Braga, Brown, Aube, Hoffman and Baouche

Brian Juliano, Juliano's Pools, 100 Windermere Avenue was present to represent the application.

Brian Juliano said he spoke with George Logan, Soil Scientist, and noted that Mr. Logan has everything he needs from Chris Juliano, Juliano Associates, LLC, in order to complete the outstanding planting plan within two weeks. Mr. Logan will also be providing Mr. Juliano with seeding recommendations for the disturbed areas and recommends a split rail fence to delineate the wetlands area. Mr. Logan asked Mr. Juliano to relay to the Agency that the area where he has been working was used for agriculture in the past and the portion that they are not using will be turned into an enhanced meadow. He explained

the stockpile of dirt on site is from when they excavated below the new parking area and found more soil than they anticipated. Mr. Juliano asked for the meeting to be continued to next month in order to have Mr. Logan present and explain his plan.

Mr. Colonese reiterated the recommendations in the Town Engineer's June 10, 2022 email which were discussed at last month's meeting. The Town Engineer recommended the Agency postpone approval until the wetland encroachments are removed, the survey is updated to demonstrate no encroachments, an acceptable restoration plan is proposed, and an acceptable conveyance system is determined for the town culvert discharge. Mr. Colonese stated he conducted an inspection of the property today and found piles of material, concrete blocks, gravel storage areas, logs, and miscellaneous storage items within the area delineated as inland wetlands. In addition to addressing the Town Engineer's comments and recommendations, a functional and qualitative analysis as well as restoration and planting recommendations are still outstanding.

Mr. Juliano said Chris Juliano will be back out to the site next Tuesday to complete the field survey work and finalize the site plan. Mr. Colonese noted the pile of soil and screening of soil on the site was not requested in the application. Mr. Juliano acknowledged that he didn't propose the pile of soil because he did not anticipate having that much material from constructing the parking area. Mr. Colonese stated the Agency may have concerns with what he is proposing to store within the storage area due to its proximity to the wetlands.

Chairman Burns explained to Mr. Juliano that if the recommendations are not met by next month's meeting, he could face fines up to \$1,000.00 per day. Commissioner Braga requested the applicant have all the requirements completed by the next meeting, Mr. Juliano acknowledged Commissioner Braga's statement.

Christine Champeau and John Chiarenza, 84 Windermere Avenue, expressed their concerns about the noise the construction activity is creating. Commissioner Braga suggested that Ms. Champeau and Mr. Chiarenza attend the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting to address the noise issue. Mr. Chiarenza asked if the noise was just a process of the construction or part of the business operations. Mr. Juliano stated it's just the process of getting the site cleaned up and completed.

MOVED (BRAGA) SECONDED (AUBE) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO THE AUGUST 8, 2022 REGULAR MEETING FOR IW202110 - Juliano Family One LLC, owner/Brian Juliano, applicant, request for modification to Wetlands Permit IW202110 to construct a detention basin and outside storage area at 100 Windermere Ave., APN 018-021-0000.

IV. OLD BUSINESS: None

V. NEW BUSINESS: None

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

1. Approval of the June 13 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOVED (BRAGA) SECONDED (HEMINWAY), (HOFFMAN ABSTAINED) AND PASSED TO APPROVE THE JUNE 13, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

2. Correspondence/Discussion:

- a. Connecticut Water Company (CWC) June 29, 2022 CT DEEP Application Under the General Permit for Diversion of Water for Consumptive Use related to approving the interconnection between the CWC Western System and the CWC Stafford System.

Mr. Colonese said the proposed project is not in Ellington, but water will be diverted from areas in Ellington, specifically Shenipsit Lake. The documentation was also distributed to the Planning & Zoning Commission and Conservation Commission. He stated if anyone has any comments pertaining to the project to contact the Planning Department.

- b. Hawk's Nest Trail

Mr. Colonese explained the owner of Hawk's Nest Trail, a private road, is requesting to clean out some sediment at the pipe inlet by the road. The pipe goes under the roadway. The Agency agreed the owner could proceed with the routine maintenance.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED (BRAGA) SECONDED (AUBE) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE JULY 18, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY AT 7:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbra Galovich, Recording Clerk