

**Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission  
Town of Wallingford  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, April 6, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Wallingford Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission was held on Wednesday, April 6, 2011, in Robert Early Auditorium, the Municipal Building, Wallingford, Connecticut.

Seated Commissioners were Jim Vitali – Chairman, Ellen Deutsch – Vice Chairperson, David Parent, James Kovach, Jim Heilman – alternate, and Environmental Planner Erin O’Hare.

Absent: Nick Kern - Secretary

Chairman Vitali called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:**

March 2, 2011 - Regular Meeting

**MS. DEUTSCH:**            **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2011 –  
REGULAR MEETING AS SUBMITTED.**

**MR. PARENT:**            **SECOND**

**VOTE:**                      **UNANIMOUS**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

#A11-2.1 / 549 WOODHOUSE AVENUE – Town of Wallingford – Tyler Mill/Muddy River Conservation/Recreation Area Trails System Enhancement Program – (trail improvements)

Presenting the application was Conservation Commission Chairman Jeffrey Borne, Vice Chairperson Mary Heffernon and Member John Lathrop.

Mr. Borne stated that since the last meeting a contract has been awarded to Ferrucci & Walicki, LLC to do the trail work. Mr. Lathrop indicated that in places where there was previously culverts proposed they will be able to simply install foot bridge rather than culverts. These foot bridges will not alter the water course and would be the least invasive way to cross those streams.

There was discussion about how this maintenance item should be handled. There would be five water crossings and the balance of the items would be maintenance items. The Commission feels that Ms. O’Hare should oversee each crossing as it is being installed.

**MS. DEUTSCH:**            **MOTION THAT APPLICATION #A11-2.1 / 549 WOODHOUSE  
AVENUE BE DEEMED NOT A SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.**

**MR. KOVACH:**            **SECOND**

**VOTE:**                      **UNANIMOUS**

**MS. DEUTSCH:**      **MOTION THAT APPLICATION #A11-2.1 / 549 WOODHOUSE AVENUE BE APPROVED WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CORRECT INSTALLATION OF THE FOOT BRIDGES.**

**MR. PARENT:**      **SECOND**

**VOTE:**              **UNANIMOUS**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**#A07-11.1 / 135 FAWN DRIVE** – Fawn Drive Associates, LLC – (third extension of one-year commencement date)

**MS. DEUTSCH:**      **MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR THE THIRD EXTENSION OF THE ONE-YEAR COMMENCEMENT DATE FOR APPLICATION #A07-11.1 / 135 FAWN DRIVE.**

Chairman Vitali asked Ms. O’Hare if there was any reason not to approve the request. Ms. O’Hare replied that the only concern would be the time remaining under the term of the permit to get all of the work done

**MR. HEILMAN:**      **SECOND**

**VOTE:**              **UNANIMOUS**

**RECEIPT OF NEW APPLICATIONS:**

**#A11-4.1 / 404, 408 & 412 MAIN STREET, YALESVILLE / QUINNIPIAC RIVER** – Larry DeAntonio & DeAntonio Construction – redevelopment of existing residence & residential development, 12 units

Chairman Vitali received the application.

**#A11-4.2 / 1195 SOUTH CURTIS STREET** – Carlos Julia – (aboveground pool and deck extension)

Ms. O’Hare encouraged the Commission to visit the site before the next meeting to see the site conditions. Chairman Vitali received the application.

**VIOLATIONS:**

**7 OLD GATE ROAD** – Mark Feeney – (filling)

Mark Feeney was present to discuss the violation.

Mr. Feeney stated that he is proposing a shed/barn in the rear of his property which meets all of the property setbacks from the wetlands so a wetlands permit is not needed for that activity. There has been a topo map submitted as requested by the Commission.

Commissioner Deutsch stated that she visited the site with Commissioner Kern. She stated that at the time they visited the site it was difficult to tell how much fill was in the area. Ms. O’Hare

submitted some photos to help the Commission understand the steep slope and the fill placed on top of the slope.

The Commission agreed to table the issue to allow Commissioner Kern and Commissioner Deutsch some time to revisit the site now that the topo map has been submitted and the snow is gone. Ms. O'Hare suggested that when the site visit is done they pay close attention to the trees on that slope.

### **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Proposed Revised Application Form (Draft II) & Application Supplemental Information Form (Draft I) – The Commission would vote on the revised application at the next meeting.
2. Staff report – not discussed.
3. CACIWC newsletter, “The Habitat”, Winter 2010
4. DEP/UCONN CLEAR Webinar, “Rain Gardens”, April 19, 2011, 2-3 p.m.
5. DEP Permit Application For the Use of Pesticides in State Waters: Fieldstone Farms pond, Choate ponds, and Ashlar Village pond
6. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Notice – CT Fund for the Environment – Wallace Dam Fishway – River Road and Quinnipiac Street
7. DEP Permit Approval – 401 Water Quality Certification – Yankee Gas Services Company – new gate station, 300 Church Street
8. DEP Notice of Tentative Determination – Renewal of permit to discharge treated wastewaters – Tech Circuits, Inc., 340 Quinnipiac Street
9. DEP Notice of Tentative Determination – 401 Water Quality Certification – Save the Sound, A Program of The Connecticut Fund for the Environment – Wallace Dam Fishway, Quinnipiac River – River Road and Quinnipiac Street
10. Budget FY 2011-2012 – Town Council Public Hearing, April 11, 6 p.m.; Budget Workshop April 14, 6 p.m.
11. DEP Notice of Tentative Determination – Intent To Review National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Cytec Industries, Inc. – Quinnipiac River

Commissioner Heilman reported to the Commission that he met with Ms. O'Hare and the Attorney and the Engineer from Workstage. They are planning to properly repair Basin D and modify Basin C. There is a lot of activity on the site.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Deutsch made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kovach and passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Sonja Vining  
Recording Secretary  
Town of Wallingford  
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