TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY / CONSERVATION COMMISSION WEBex Meeting

MINUTES: November 18, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barbara Kelly, Adam Reed, John Blondin, Jack Phillips, Paul Cote,

Richard Muller, Elizabeth Warren, Art Jennings

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Steven King, Jr seated for James Macdonald

STAFF PRESENT: Jeff Folger, Sr Environmental Planner

Jeff Doolittle, Town Engineer/Asst Dir of Public Works

Michael Lehmann, IT

Donna Thompson, Recording Secretary

THE FOLLOWING ARE MOTIONS MADE DURING THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY/ CONSERVATION COMMISSION – VIRTUAL MEETING

Chairperson Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

PERMIT EXTENSIONS: #15-64W Evergreen Walk Unit 12

Mr. Folger reviewed the letter from the applicant requesting an extension and permit name change.

The consensus of the commission was that the permit extension and name change should be granted.

Motion to: extend permit #15-64W as modified by permit #19-56W

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips Second by: Commissioner Blondin

The motion carried.
The vote was unanimous.

Motion to: change the applicant information on permit #15-64W as modified by permit #19-56W to read:

Costco Wholesale Corporation
Mark Marchisano, Director of Real Estate Development
45940 Horseshoe Drive, Suite 150
Sterling, VA 20166
Email: mmarchisano@costco.com
571.528.0882

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips Second by: Commissioner Jennings

The motion carried.
The vote was unanimous

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS: None

BONDS: None

MINUTES: 10/29/2020

The minutes of 10/29/2020 were approved by consensus.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: Mr. Folger stated that he has discussed possible projects with the high school environmental club. One project would be a forestry management plan for the Dart Hill Road open space area. Another project would be creating educational signage for a loop trail at Town Hall that would highlight invasive plant species in Town. The club will discuss and relay information to Mr. Folger early in December. The club is going to assist Bill Marshall on the first Saturday in December in continuing to clear the invasives at Town Hall.

WETLAND OFFICER: Mr. Folger stated that the construction sites have been well mannered to this point.

Mr. Folger also stated that the decision of the commission rendered at the special meeting was sent to Mr. Katzbek at 150 Felt Road.

PUBLIC HEARING: (con't from 10/21/20) 7:12 pm

Appl. #20-52W– Town of South Windsor – Main Street Bridge over Podunk River – Inland Wetland/Conservation Commission application for approval of the re-construction of a road bridge located on the southern end of Main St., A-40 Residential Zone.

The commissioners were satisfied with the information presented at the October 21, 2020 meeting. The public hearing had been continued in order for the application pending signs to be displayed on the property for 10 days prior to the meeting.

Motion to: close the public hearing on Appl. #20-52W at 7:18 pm

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips Second by: Commissioner Cote

The motion carried.
The vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appl. #20-52W— Town of South Windsor — Main Street Bridge over Podunk River — Inland Wetland/Conservation Commission application for approval of the re-construction of a road bridge located on the southern end of Main St., A-40 Residential Zone.

Motion to: move a finding of no prudent and feasible alternatives based on the evidence presented at the public hearing

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips Second by: Commissioner Jennings

The motion carried.
The vote was unanimous

Motion to: approve Appl. #20-52W, standard conditions; a performance bond for erosion and sediment

controls will be collected by the Town Engineer

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips Second by: Commissioner Blondin

Commissioner Phillips stated that it appears to be a good design to protect the wetlands and watercourses surrounding where the work is being done. Commissioner Kelly concurred.

Commissioners Kelly, Phillips, Reed, Muller, Blondin, Warren, Cote visited the site.

The motion carried.
The vote was unanimous

Appl. #20-56P— Vintage Hills II - Inland Wetland/Conservation Commission application for a six (6) lot residential subdivision, and associated utilities on 12.4 acres on property known as 503 Barber Hill Road, located northerly of Vintage Lane and westerly of Barber Hill Road, RR zone.

Ben Wheeler from Design Professionals Inc., presented the application. This proposal is a modification of a plan that was approved by the commission in 2019. The cul de sac will now terminate just into the property with only three lots at that point and no way for the road to be further extended. The other three lots are unchanged from the application approved last year. There is one less lot and approximately three hundred feet less of public roadway as part of this application. There are no wetlands on the site and there will not be any work done in the small area of upland review on the property. This is a better plan, with one less lot, less road, less impervious coverage and less tree clearing than the previously approved plan.

Commissioners agreed that this is a better plan.

Motion to: approve Appl. #20-56P, standard conditions; bonds: \$25,000 for installation and maintenance of erosion and sediment control measures; \$20,000 for installation and maintenance of the stormwater control structures; the soil disturbances should be limited to only that area necessary to construct the house and septic system on the site; woodchips will be placed at the inside base of the perimeter silt fence as an additional filtration measure for erosion control

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips Second by: Commissioner Jennings The motion carried. The vote was unanimous

OLD BUSINESS:

OTHER BUSINESS: 2021 Meeting Schedule

The 2021 Meeting Schedule was approved by consensus.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to: adjourn at 7:36 p.m.
Was made by: Commissioner Blondin
Second by: Commissioner Jennings
The motion carried.
The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted:

Donna Thompson Recording Secretary

Approved: January 6, 2021