

**TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR  
INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY / CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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**ACTION MINUTES:** June 7, 2023

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Blondin John, Cote Paul, Jennings Arthur, Chairperson Kelly Barbara, Macdonald James, Muller Richard, Vice Chairperson Phillips John, Katzbek Dan, and Secretary Reed Adam

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**ALTERNATES PRESENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jeff Folger, Sr. Environmental Planner  
Tersee Flores, Recording Secretary

**COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT:** None

Chairperson Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Chairperson Kelly asked for public comment for items that were not on agenda. No public comment.

**PERMIT EXTENSIONS:** Jeff Folger, Environmental Planner mentioned there are no permit extension, but they did receive a 35-day time extension for Appl. 23-13P GDS Estimating wetland mitigation plan.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS:** None

**BONDS:** None

**MINUTES:** Minutes from Regular Meeting on 05/17/23: A **motion** was made by Commissioner Blondin and **seconded** by Commissioner Phillips to approve the minutes as amended with the following corrections:

Page 1. Under Wetland Officer Section: "installation"

Page 3. Under New Business: "bonds" not bondage

Page 3. Motion carried remove and added to the end of discussion.

Page 4. Commissioner Muller "very modest use of the property" instead of piece of the property.

Page 4. Chairperson Kelly "review wetland line in the 32 town around Hartford" remove County. "she visited many sites" not the site many times.

***Motion approved unanimously. Motion passed.***

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION:**

Jeff Folger, Environmental Planner mentioned they had an eagle scout complete one of their projects this past Saturday on the loop trail right behind the town hall. A young gentleman installed a series of steps going down the slope, he placed 4x4 into the ground with rebar and applied wood chips to the trail, for safer travel, and less chance of erosion on the trail. It was completed within 3 hours and had a total of around 40 people assisting.

## **WETLAND OFFICER:**

Jeff Folger mentioned regarding Pleasant Valley School, the weather was cooperative, they did have one storm in between but all the construction sites went through with no issues. The Pleasant Valley School has they're underdrain installed and seeded 80% of the site and the seed is germinating. They are well on their way getting it stabilize, he mentioned there was a couple issues with the bottom of the basin with the soil they are going to investigate. He discussed the under drains are functioning, and the ground water is not building up as it did prior.

Commissioner Reed read the legal notice as posted in the Journal Inquirer.

## **PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Appl. 23-18W, Prime Materials Recovery – 444 Nutmeg Road North** - IWA/CC application for the Wetland Map Revision on property located northerly of Governors Hwy, and easterly of Nutmeg Road north. Industrial (I) Zone.

Peter M. DeMallie, President and Principal Design Professional presented the application on behalf of Prime Materials Recovery and their client Doug Caraballo and Justin Schubert and introduced James M. McManus, MS, CPSS, Certified Professional Soil Scientist.

Peter mentioned they will discuss a wetlands amendment application for this site which was flagged a couple times by different soil scientists. McManus submitted a report dated March 14<sup>th</sup> which was submitted with the application, and he will review whether the site is wetlands or upland his findings and recommendations.

Mr. James McManus discussed soil types, ditch for the expansion project, mapping inclusion, characteristics, and wetland delineation and what he has reviewed on site.

Chairperson Kelly open the hearing for public input.

Chairperson Kelly, Commissioner Reed, Muller and Katzbek asked, questions regarding the delineation, inclusions are present that are too small to map, and the determination of it not being a wetland.

Mr. Folger shared a document with the Commissioners that was created in 2005 done by Ed Pawlick which is referencing a particular wetlands #2 area.

Ms. Kelly open the hearing for public input.

**Motion to:** close the public hearing.

Was made by: Commissioner Blondin

Second by: Commissioner Phillips

Motion carried.

Vote: unanimous

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Appl. 23-18W, Prime Materials Recovery – 444 Nutmeg Road North** - IWA/CC application for the Wetland Map Revision on property located northerly of Governors Hwy, and easterly of Nutmeg Road north. Industrial (I) Zone.

**Motion to:** move to approve the map amendment for Appl. 23-18W.

Was Made By: Commissioner Phillip

Second by Commissioner Jennings

The motion carried.

The vote was unanimous

Commissioner Phillips discussed over the years sometimes ideas change as to what qualifies, in this case it appears we look at the current time only. Mr. McManus surveyed and concluded it did not qualify to be a wetland. He mentioned a disinterested party, Mr. Folger surveyed the site and also took soil samples, he agreed with Mr. McManus conclusion, it appear to Mr. Phillips that flagging was an error.

Commissioner Muller and Reed asked and made questions on what makes a wetland area and science of soil.

**Motion to:** amend the wetland map to on 444 Nutmeg Road north to take into account the current delineation.

Was Made By: Commissioner Phillip

Second by Commissioner Jennings

The motion carried.

The vote was unanimous.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mr. Folger mentioned we did receive two applications since the last meeting. We will discuss at the meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup> to hear the applications.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Motion to:** move to add to the agenda a discussion of the video coverage of the meetings

Was Made By: Commissioner Phillip

Second by Commissioner Jennings

The motion carried.

The vote was unanimous.

Chairperson Kelly opened the floor to have a discussion on how the Council would like for the commission to video the Madden Room during their meeting.

**APPLICATIONS RECEIVED:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion to:** adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Was made by: Commissioner Phillips

Second by: Commissioner Jennings

The motion carried.

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted:

Tersee Flores

Recording Secretary