

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

ACTION MINUTES: 2-21-2024

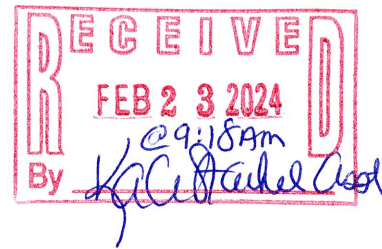
MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Barbara Kelly, Vice Chairperson John Phillips, John Blondin, Steven Cordeiro, James MacDonald, Richard Muller, Arthur Jennings

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Cote; Dan Katzbek

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Joe Durette, John Murphy

STAFF PRESENT: Jeff Folger, Sr. Environmental Planner
Nicole Kowalik, Recording Secretary

COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT: None



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

Kelly welcomed the newest member of the Commission, John Murphy as an Alternate.

Chairperson Kelly seated Alternative Durette for Commissioner Cote and Alternative Murphy for Commissioner Katzbek.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

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

PERMIT EXTENSIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS: Chairperson Kelly commented how C-TEC is intending to develop a ground mounted solar on the old Hartford landfill.

BONDS: None

MINUTES: Minutes from Regular Meeting on 02/07/24: were approved by consensus as amended.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: Jeff Folger mentioned that he has been working with an intern during the last summer and fall. One of the projects that she has been working on is collecting wildlife photos in different spots in South Windsor. She intends to set up a Snapchat site in addition to the Facebook page to display any photos captured. She will be posting photos of the month of the wildlife and hopefully will have individuals be able to upload their own wildlife photos in the future.

WETLAND OFFICER: Jeff Folger handed the Commissioners a farm activity exemption request from Mr. Heggenhougan on Rye Street.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: Appl. 24-03P, 396 Burnham St – 396 Burnham St - IWA/CC application for the construction of an industrial building, stormwater structures, parking and associated utilities on property located northerly of Burnham Street and westerly of Corneau Way Industrial (I) Zone.

Andrew Bushnell, Engineer on behalf of applicant, Burnham Realty, discussed how there were revisions made based on the discussions since the last meeting, especially designing to conform with the new storm management regulations. An underdrain will be installed to the pond. The outlet levels and pipes were adjusted. The pond had to be stretched out to get the adequate water quality volume storage, as well as the bottom was raised. A maintenance schedule was also added to the plans, as well as a planting and seeding schedule. The high point will be moved more towards the front, so there is less water going up to the front and more water going towards the back. There will be less peak flow to Burnham Street since there was previous flooding issues in the past.

Chairperson Kelly asked about the removal of the debris. Mr. Bushnell commented that it has not been added on yet.

Commissioner Muller commented when it comes down to the specific development plan, not all of the new requirements will fit into every project. Mr. Bushnell mentioned that part of the problem is the proximity of the wetlands and worrying about the big flow of the water during a storm.

Chairperson Kelly asked the commissioners if there are any other comments.

Motion to: approve **Appl. 24-03P, 396 Burnham St – 396 Burnham St** - IWA/CC application for the construction of an industrial building, stormwater structures, parking and associated utilities on property located northerly of Burnham Street and westerly of Corneau Way Industrial (I) Zone.

Was made by: Vice Chairperson Phillips
Second by: Commissioner Blondin

The recommendation of bonds are \$3000 for establishment and maintenance of erosion and sediment controls, and \$15,000 for the installation of stormwater structures, and \$5,000 for installation and establishment of wetlands plantings.

Vice Chairperson Phillips commented how the applicants were able to stay out of the wetlands and providing good water management and Chairperson Kelly agreed.

Motion - carried.
Vote - unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS: Vice Chairperson Phillips commented that there was a discussion about cancelling the next meeting and to discuss the Heggenhougan Farm until the meeting on March 20th.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to: adjourn at 7:33PM
Was made by: Commissioner Blondin
Second by: Vice Chairperson Phillips
Motion - carried.
Vote - unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Kowalik,
Recording Secretary