

A. Roll Call

The following Commission Members were present:

Commissioner Ranjit Bhawe, Commissioner Daniel Bedeker, Commissioner J. Jim Connors, Commissioner Ken Cowden, Vice Chairman David DeFlumeri, Commissioner Lily Flannigan and Commissioner Steve Munson

Others present: DPLU Director Joe Griffith, Compliance Officer MaryRose Palumbo and Secretary Meg Greene

Absent: Alternate Commissioner M. Matthew Connors, Commissioner Carol Dunn and Chairman Brendan Magnan

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Vice Chairman DeFlumeri called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and deemed Commissioner Bhawe the voting alternate.

B. Pledge

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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D. New Business

MILFORD INLAND WETLANDS

- D.1. IW-PA-19-025: 750 Bridgeport Ave, Map 33, Block 386A Parcel 3 Country Motors II. Soil excavation and stabilization with work within 100' of a wetland in the Housatonic River Watershed. [4/17/19||5/31/19||6/1/19]

Compliance Officer Palumbo stated that the proposal is by GEI on behalf of County Motors II for the removal of impacted soils. They propose to remove about 600 cubic yards of soil with an excavator to be parked on the adjacent asphalt lot. Once sufficient soil is removed, the area will be backfilled with new material and loam and seed for stabilization. Silt fencing is proposed around the work area. She passed around a sheet with 3 photos of the site for the Commissioners to view.

Kelsey Shields, GEI Consultants, Glastonbury, CT, appeared on behalf of Country Motors II. She said the site was formerly known as Bobs Motors and that two dumpsters were positioned on concrete to the rear of the property. She said that due to poor management practices over the last few years, there had been petroleum product dumped and/or spilled in this area. The plan is to excavate approximately 600 square feet of soil to a depth of one foot and dispose of it off site. Once confirmation samples indicate that the area is clean, they will install geotextile fabric, backfill with clean material, and stabilize the area. She said that Photo #2 on the photo sheet shows the area to be remediated. She also referenced the map submitted with the application entitled Erosion Control Plan.

Compliance Officer Palumbo asked if remediation was limited to petroleum spillage or if windblown debris in the wetland areas would be removed during this clean up phase. She also asked if the detention pond area had been tested and whether the test revealed any work being necessary. Ms. Shields said they can clean the area that they are working in. She said surface water sampling of the pond revealed nothing above state action levels.

Compliance Officer Palumbo noted that knotweed is visible on the site and asked if there will be invasive species monitoring while the site is revegetating. Ms. Shields said there is no plan in place to prevent invasive spread because the area they are working in is small compared to the amount of invasives on the site. She said they are proposing to loam and seed the area, with no plan to hydroseed.

Commissioner Munson questioned if wells will be monitored. Ms. Shields said that the wells are from previous company's reviews of the site and that no contaminants were found in the ground water monitoring. She stated that the only remediation required is with the soil in the proposed area.

Commissioner Cowden said that he expected trash to be removed from the yard area when the work is done. Ms. Shields said clean up would extend to the debris around the dumpster where they are working.

Compliance Officer Palumbo reviewed options for the commission, noting that this is a pre-application received at this meeting. She said that at this meeting the Agency can:

- Ask questions
- Ask for further information
- Issue a Jurisdictional Ruling
- Require a Full Application

MOTION

MOTION: Commissioner J. Connors moved that the Designated Agent issue a Jurisdictional Ruling for pre-application IW-PA-19-025: 750 Bridgeport Ave for the excavation and stabilization of soil within 100' of a wetland or watercourse in the Housatonic River Watershed based on the plans and information in the file with conditions including:

- Proper soil erosion and sedimentation controls must be installed and maintained until the site is stabilized.
- The trash and debris in the cleanup area is to be removed.

This action will not have an impact or effect on the physical characteristics of the adjacent wetlands and watercourses.

SECOND: Commissioner Cowden.

Vote: 7-0

Yes: Commissioner Bhavé, Commissioner Bedeker, Commissioner J. Connors, Commissioner Cowden, Vice Chairman DeFlumeri, Commissioner Flannigan and Commissioner Munson

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Alternate Commissioner M. Connors, Commissioner Dunn and Chairman Magnan

Motion passed.

I. Adjournment

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MOTION: Commissioner J. Connors moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Commissioner Cowden.

Vote: 7-0

Yes: Commissioner Bhavé, Commissioner Bedeker, Commissioner J. Connors, Commissioner Cowden, Vice Chairman DeFlumeri, Commissioner Flannigan and Commissioner Munson

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Alternate Commissioner M. Connors, Commissioner Dunn and Chairman Magnan

Motion passed.

ATTEST 4/23/19
