

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands Agency on August 15, 2018.

A. Roll Call

Present: Brendan Magnan, Ranjit Bhawe, Nathan Buchok, Jim Connors, Matthew Connors, Ken Cowden, Lily Flannigan, Ed Mead and Steve Munson.

Absent: Dave DeFlumeri and Carol Dunn.

Also Present: MaryRose Palumbo and Lisa Streit

Magnan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and deemed Bhawe the voting alternate.

B. Pledge

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Public Comments

None.

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D. New Business

- 1. IW-A-2018-32: 0 Chester Street, Bjorklund Properties** – proposed single family home with construction and grading within 100' of a wetland and watercourse in the South Central Shoreline Watershed.

MaryRose reported that this is a proposal by Bjorklund Properties for a single family home with construction and grading within 2' of a wetland in the South Central Shoreline Watershed. The site is at the end of Chester Street adjacent to the Calf Pen Meadow Marsh. The owner is proposing a single family home with disturbance for construction of the house. She reviewed the plans and requested some additional data for project review:

- The Coastal Jurisdiction should be noted on the plan (4.7' in this area)
- The Mean High Water line (MHW) should be noted on the plan
- Soil erosion and sedimentation controls and the installation details and inspection requirements
- Grading and drainage plans
- Stormwater calculations for the rain barrels for the City Engineers review
- Maintenance and upkeep plans for the rain barrels should be submitted and noted on the plans.

Attorney Kevin Curseaden could not be here this evening but stated that he would provide the data to the IWA as soon as it is available.

Munson stated that it seems that a site walk would be necessary and that it should be after the presentation. Connors agreed. Magnan asked if any additional information is needed. MaryRose stated that the 65-day review period ends on 10/19/18. The consensus of the IWA was to wait to schedule a site walk until all of the information is received.

Bhawe questioned how close is too close to the wetlands. MaryRose reviewed that it is a balance between the owners' right to use the land with the right to protect the wetlands and that

each site is different even in the same subdivision; there are many variables. Magnan reviewed that the Agency needs to have all information and keep an open mind, reviewing each application on its merits as it is complete.

No action taken.

E. Minutes

No action taken.

F. Staff Report

MaryRose discussed the next meeting date; due to a lot of absences for the regularly scheduled 9/5/18 date. The Agency could do a site walk and special meeting on 8/29/18; this date works except for Mead. The Commission said that they would prefer no site walks be scheduled before the information is reviewed in the meeting room. In absence of no new information or applications then the meeting would be cancelled. Information is to be mailed to the Commissioners when received.

Site Status:

- 33 Schoolhouse Rd - Original Ecosystems is doing the invasive management and basin plantings and monitoring for the site.
- 70 Kay Ave is ongoing.
- Welch's Point Rd Pump Station is ongoing. One dumpster left this morning; others will be removed as filled. The contract end date for the work on both pump stations is 12/22/18.
- Rock Lane Pump Station is ongoing. Site is paved; punch list inspection is next week.
- Forest Rd – nearing completion, waiting on plantings and asbuilt.
- Great River Golf Course – waiting to receive the revised mitigation plan for planting.
- Milford Ponds - Work on the ponds is nearly complete.
- 0 Tanglewood Circle – the area over the septic tank is stabilized with grasses and wildflowers. The Project Engineer met and reviewed the stormwater system with the City Engineer in the field. The City Engineer gave her a verbal ok before they constructed it; she is waiting on the paper follow up from him.
- 24 Cooper Ave –spoke with the owner, he is meeting with Architects and planning on using the same footprint. He may be changing from a rain garden to rain barrels. If so, he will have his Engineer review it with the City Engineer.
- 74 Surf Av – ongoing
- Wheelers Woods – has begun working on the environmental review for the conservation easement baseline study required as a condition.

Please remember to call or email me if you are unable to attend a meeting.

G. Chair's Report

The next meeting will be a Special meeting in Conference Room B on August 29, 2018, if the information is received.

Please let the office know if you are unable to attend and get any questions you have on the applications to MaryRose so that she can forward them to the applicants.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. was made by Connors and seconded by Munson. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit

These minutes have not been accepted or approved.

