

Minutes of the Special and Organizational Meeting of the Inland Wetlands Agency on February 01, 2017.

A. Roll Call

Present: Nathan Buchok, Ken Cowden, Dave DeFlumeri, Carol Dunn, Lily Flannigan, Brendan Magnan, Daniel Schopick and Philip Zeyte.

Absent: Jim Connors and Steve Munson.

Also Present: MaryRose Palumbo and Lisa Streit

MaryRose noted that Buchok, Dunn, Flannigan and Munson have all been sworn in by the City Clerk.

Streit called the organizational meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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B. Organizational Meeting

MaryRose reviewed Chairman responsibilities:
Bylaws Sec 5.2

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The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings and hearings of the MIWA and has authority that includes, but is not limited to:

- a. Calling special meetings;*
- b. Directing or authorizing actions of the MIWA Designated Agent(s), when, in the judgment of the Chairperson or an Agent, action is required during the period of time between regularly scheduled meetings, or before a special meeting can be called;*
- c. Appoint sub-committees for purposes and terms approved by the MIWA;*
- d. Attend all sub-committee meetings as an ex officio member of each committee; and*
- e. Attend significant city meetings as required to represent the MIWA.*

Bylaws Sec 5.3

The Chairperson shall have the privilege of discussing and voting on all matters before the MIWA, but shall not move for or second any motion.

Streit called for nominations for **Chairman**: A motion was made by Schopick, seconded by DeFlumeri to nominate Magnan Chairman. There being no further nominations, they were closed. Streit cast one vote deeming **Magnan** Chairman.

Magnan called for nominations for **Vice Chairman**: A motion was made by Schopick, seconded by Dunn to nominate DeFlumeri Vice Chairman. There being no further nominations, they were closed. Streit cast one vote deeming **DeFlumeri** Vice Chairman.

Magnan called for nominations for **Parliamentarian**: A motion was made by Flannigan, second by DeFlumeri to nominate Schopick Parliamentarian. There being no further nominations, they were closed. Streit cast one vote deeming **Schopick** Parliamentarian.

A motion was made by Schopick, seconded by DeFlumeri that the Compliance Officer acts as the Designated Agent for the Agency. The motion carried unanimously. MaryRose's resume is on file in the Agency office.

Magnan thanked everyone and welcomed new Commissioner Nathan Buchok and congratulated reappointments Dunn, Flannigan and Munson. Magnan encouraged board members to read Section 1.1 of the Regulations which is taken from the enabling statute. Section 1.1 is what the Legislature intended when creating the Inland Wetland Agencies - a balance of rights of property owners and nature for this and future generations. Section 10 is the Criteria to be used in making a decision on an application.

Section 1.1, Section 10, Ethics Commission Book, a description of Officer's duties and the annual calendar were distributed.

C. Pledge

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Public Comments

None.

E. New Business

1. **IW-A-17-001: 73 Cooper Avenue, Field and Son Builders** – proposal to raze existing house and construct an elevated residence with construction within 100' of a wetland or watercourse in the South Central Shoreline Watershed.

This item is on the agenda for the first time and can be discussed at the next regular meeting of 2/15/17.

F. Old Business

1. **Violation IW-V-16-027: 1646 New Haven Avenue, Judith K. Rosehill** – deposition of soil and material with work in and within 100' of a wetland or watercourse in the South Central Shoreline Watershed without permit.

Scott Rosehill was in attendance. MaryRose reported that the IWA heard this violation last April. The rear of the property has tidal wetlands, some coastal, some wetlands. MaryRose, the Zoning Officer and DEEP have been out to the site and information has been sent to the State. There has been much reorganization in the DEEP and there has not been feedback as of yet.

Mr. Rosehill stated that he needs to make decisions and has had enough and is ready to sell. There is a 10' slope between the properties and his A/C unit is there and needs to be protected. He doesn't know what can be done to protect the property. Grass won't take; the tree has exposed roots and is leaning towards the house.

MaryRose will email the DEEP and speak with Planning and Zoning to try to get some resolution.

G. Minutes

A motion was made by Schopick, seconded by DeFlumeri to accept the minutes of 12/21/16 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

H. Staff Report

Welcome Alternate Commissioner Nathan Buchok and Welcome Back everyone

There is a training opportunity on Saturday, 3/25/17 from 8:30 to 4:30 at Wesleyan University. The CT Bar Association is presenting CT Land Use law for Municipal Land Use Agencies, Boards and Commissions. This is a worthwhile Seminar that is only held every other year. Please let the office know if you are interested in attending.

Site Status:

- Indian River Interceptor – there have been some site stabilization issues with the closing of the WSA which have been brought to the Contractor's attention
- 1595 Boston Post Rd project is complete and waiting on the asbuilt.
- 220 Rock Lane is completed and waiting on an asbuilt.
- 605 Orange Avenue is ongoing.
- 33 Schoolhouse Road is ongoing.

Please call the office if you are unable to attend a meeting.

I. Chair Report

Magnan welcomed new Commissioner Nathan Buchok; your service is appreciated.

The next regular meeting will be on 2/15/17.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by DeFlumeri, seconded by Schopick to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Streit

These minutes have not been accepted or approved.