

Minutes of the Special Meeting and Site Walk of the Inland Wetlands Agency held on April 28, 2015 at 0 Wheelers Farm Milford, CT

A. Roll Call

Present: Cathy Collins, Ken Cowden, Dave DeFlumeri, Carol Dunn, Brendan Magnan, Justin Margeson, Steve Munson and Daniel Schopick.

Absent: Allen Cegan, Jim Connors and Lily Flannigan.

Also Present: Mary Rose Palumbo, Lisa Streit, John Gilmore, PE, Bill Root, Professional Wetland Scientist, Eric Davison, Steve Johnson, Milford Open Space Agent and members of the public.

Collins called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and reminded the public that this is a Public Meeting and all questions must go through the Chair and there can be no discussion other than location of the proposed work in relation to the wetlands line. All other questions must be taken up at the next meeting on May 6th.

A motion was made by Munson, seconded by Cowden that the MIWA act as a committee as a whole and to adjourn after the last question is answered. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Old Business

- 1. IW-A-15-005: 0 Wheelers Farm Road, Wheelers Woods, LLC** – proposed 180 unit apartment complex with work within 100' and 150' of wetlands and watercourses in the Housatonic River and Wepawaug River Watersheds.

It was a warm, sunny, dry day. MaryRose reviewed the rules of a site walk. John Gilmore oriented the site to the plan and vernal pools were identified on the plan. Bill Root identified the body of water on site (a man made farm pond) with the plan. The IWA entered the site at the proposed roadway to cross the culvert/catch basin to wetlands flag #49 and the corner of proposed building #1; the closest points to the wetlands. The IWA proceeded towards the isolated wetland #2, the vernal pool 2 to flag #3 and wetlands flag #1. Gilmore stated that this has been excavated over the years.



The IWA proceeded towards the corner of proposed building #2 to stakes 2-1 and 2-2 and continued on to flag #57, vernal pool 3. Gilmore stated that the sloping will remain. Wetlands flag 128 and the corner of proposed building 4 were viewed. The plan was oriented to the site and vernal pool 4 area. The IWA proceeded to stake 4-1 to the end of the proposed pavement area and viewed vernal pool 4.

The IWA proceeded to proposed garage #2 and viewed the rock ledge area. It was noted that ledge would be removed for building 3. The IWA proceeded

towards wetlands flags #15, #16, and #10 to wetlands flag #12. Munson asked if the area is to remain wetlands. Gilmore stated that it would. Munson noted that the trees were not mature and the area is bowl shaped and appears excavated.

The IWA exited the site at the proposed roadway to the parking lot and viewed vernal pool #1. The IWA exited the site and drove to the Corporate Campus, entered onto the state property and reviewed the sewer system location. The IWA proceeded to proposed building 8 to stake 8-1, to stake 9-2 and to wetlands flag #10. Gilmore oriented the site to the plan and noted the younger growth of Russian olive.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Streit

These minutes have not been accepted or approved.