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Chester Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency

Regular Meeting, December 5, 2016

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1. Call to Order

The Chester Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency held its regular meeting on Monday, December 5, 2016, at the Chester Town Hall, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, Connecticut. In attendance were Al Bisacky, Sally Sanders, Christine Darnell and Bob Blair. Anna Sweeney, Wetlands Compliance Officer, was also present. Chairman Bisacky called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Minutes – November 7, 2016 Regular Meeting and November 19, 2016 Site Walk Minutes

Motion by Sanders, second by Darnell, to approve November 7, 2016 Minutes as written. Unanimously Approved.

Motion by Darnell, second by Sanders, to approve November 19, 2016 Site Walk Minutes as written. Unanimously Approved.

It should be noted we need to include approval of the October Minutes on the next Agenda.

Motion by Darnell to move Agenda Item 4 before Agenda Item 3. Unanimously Approved.

4. #16-11 Hilltop Homes LLC, 55 Pleasant Street – three bedroom house with septic system within regulated area

Gene Robida introduced himself as the applicant's representative. He distributed a revised plans. He indicated this was received at the November 7th meeting where site and additional details were reviewed. He was asked to provide the limit of clearing inside the silt fence along the proposed driveway. There also was talk about the underground storage vs the rain garden. He reviewed the size of the rain garden based on the roof area. It is about 17-18 feet in diameter with a 1 foot high berm and 2 to 3 inches of mulch. Robida noted they were asked to get approval from the Sanitarian Lee Vito. After all the discussion about the septic system at the last meeting, he redesigned the septic system reducing the footprint thereby reducing the leaching field. They are now at 93 feet away from the review area. He met with Lee Vito who reviewed it and issued a memo approving it,

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except the wrong address was shown on the memo. It was clear however that it was for 55 Pleasant Street as that was the plan attached to the memo. Mr. Robida noted an infiltration trench was shown along the edge of the driveway with a detail. That is very effective and will handle the run off from the processed driveway.

Sally Sanders thanked Mr. Robida for looking into the septic system and finding an alternative.

Bob Blair asked if there would be a well or tie in to the water main. Mr. Robida noted if a property is within 200' of a water main, one has to tie in, however, an exception can be granted. The water main is 90 feet away. They are still looking into the options for water.

Motion by Sanders, second by Darnell, to approve Application #16-11, 55 Pleasant Street, as submitted. Unanimously Approved.

Christine Darnell noted as an aside the 18 foot rain garden needs some shrubs as it is a big area. This was just a suggestion.

5. Continued Show Cause Hearing – 46 Deep Hollow LLC, 46 Deep Hollow Road – unpermitted regulated activity

Andrew Drabkin was present. Anna Sweeney noted she reviewed the report received a couple weeks ago from Army Corps. She and Eric Davison had visited the site noting everything appeared to be adequate and looked good. **Motion by Sanders, second by Blair, that the violation has been remedied, that monitoring has been completed to the Agency's satisfaction and there are no further actions needed on the part of the property owner to satisfy any requirements of this Agency. Unanimously Approved.**

Mr. Drabkin noted hopefully either next month or the month after they will submit a farm plan prepared by Anne Penniman. Chairman Bisacky thanked the property owner for sticking with this and the Agency looks forward to seeing the new plan.

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3. Audience of Citizens – none.

6. Regulations and Map Modifications

WCO Sweeney noted there is nothing new at this time regarding new Model Regulations from DEEP.

7. Wetland Compliance Officer's Report

WCO Sweeney reported on the following -

- 1. 61 Goose Hill Road – she noted the wetlands crossing would be fairly extensive and very expensive. Still waiting to hear something further.
- 2. Leaf Blowing – she noted a neighbor contacted her about a contractor blowing leaves into a stream. She contacted the landscape contractor who said the only leaves blown into the stream were those at the edge of the stream down the embankment. The majority of the leaves were taken away in a truck. The contractor is aware they are not to blow leaves into a stream.
- 3. 17 Hoop Pole Hill Road – a zoning application has been filed for a deck and entrance landings for a house. Town Wetlands Map shows a significant amount of wetlands on this property. She has looked at the site. This is a small house, small deck that needs a new entrance. There is the slight possibility of it being within 100'. Zero impact. Chairman Bisacky noted he didn't think there was any need for a permit.

8. Correspondence – none.

9. Receipt of Applications After Posting of Agenda – none.

10. Any Other Business

WCO Sweeney noted she will not be present for the January meeting and she knows of nothing coming in for that meeting. Chairman Bisacky noted if nothing on the Agency, the meeting will be canceled.

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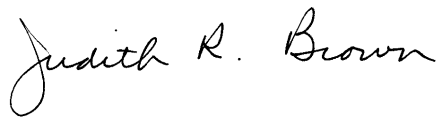
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11. Adjournment

Motion by Darnell, second by Sanders, to adjourn at 7:37 PM.

Unanimously Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judith R. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted,".

Judith R. Brown, Recording Secretary