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Chester Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency

Regular Meeting, May 4, 2020

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1. Call to Order

The Chester Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency held its regular meeting on Monday, May 4, 2020, by remote ZOOM meeting. Those present included Al Bisacky, Ellie Wahlberg, Sally Sanders, Bob Blair and Bill Bernhart. Anna Sweeney, WCO, was also present. Chairman Bisacky called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Minutes – February 3, 2020

Motion by Bernhart, second by Wahlberg, to approve February 3, 2020 Minutes as written. Approved with Sanders abstaining.

3. Audience of Citizens – Sally Fraudenstein was present but did not offer comments at this time.

4. Continued Show Cause Hearing – Chester Airport, 61 Winthrop Road – unpermitted activity within review area

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Items 4 and 5 were tabled.

6. #20-2 Charles Homicki, 223 West Main Street, Enlarge Shed

Mr. Homicki was present. The application had been distributed. Chairman Bisacky reviewed the application process. The application can be acted on next month. Ms. Sweeney noted the application was in order and the applicant needed to submit the application fee of \$160.00 (to be mailed). Mr. Homicki noted the existing shed is 10 x 10 and he wants to enlarge it to 10 x 18. Chairman Bisacky asked about alternates. Mr. Homicki noted he has a very tough lot to build on because he is on somewhat of an island. Homicki noted the expansion would be away from the brook. Mr. Bernhart noted pretty much the whole property is wetlands. Mr. Homicki noted the current base is on concrete blocks and the expansion would be similar. Chairman Bisacky asked about roof drainage. Homicki noted there would be no gutters and it would probably just drain down. Bisacky noted the Agency would like a crushed stone splash under the drip line of the roof so it doesn't erode the soil.

Chairman Bisacky asked about the use of the shed. Mr. Homicki noted it would be for lawn mower, weed whacker, bicycles, oars, snow shovels and addition storage. No motor vehicles. Mr. Homicki noted he would stake out the extended part of the shed and each Agency member could go visit on their own.

7. #20-3 Colt House, Tyler & Bria Gilbert (owner), John Schroeder (applicant), 43, 45, 47 Main Street, application to rebuild decks

The applicant has requested this application be tabled due to fact the owners live in California and were planning on moving to Chester when everything happened with the coronavirus. They felt overwhelmed and decided to wait until mid summer. Chairman Bisacky noted the time line can be extended 65 days and maybe further in view of the Governor's Orders. Ms. Sweeney will check on the extended time line.

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8. #20-4 Scotland Hardwoods (applicant) for As Of Right for wetland crossing for timber harvest at 19 Hoop Pole Hill Road

Scotland Hardwoods (Gladding) application for timber harvest with wetland crossing had been distributed. No other wetlands. Chairman Bisacky noted this is an As of Right activity but requires a permit. **Motion by Sanders, second by Wahlberg, to approve Application 20-4 Scotland Hardwoods.** Ms. Sweeney noted the application was complete and in order.

Unanimously Approved.

9. Regulations and Map Modifications – nothing further at this time.

10. Wetland Compliance Officer Report

Anna Sweeney reviewed the following –

Had a few inquiries during the month. There was a mound of dirt on Ferry Road, but it is outside this Agency's jurisdiction.

It was noted someone was taking down stuff at 84 Middlesex Avenue. Anna Sweeney will check on this to see if it is the town.

11. Correspondence – none.

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

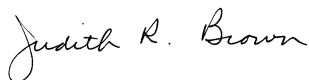
13. Any Other Business

Sandy Fraudenstein reviewed signage for “wetland protective buffer” and the location of the signs. It was also noted the asphalt driveway was out of the wetlands review area.

14. Adjournment

Motion by Wahlberg, second by Sanders, to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Unanimously Approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Judith R. Brown, Recording Secretary