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The Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency was held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at the Town Office Building.

Chairman Bonneksen called the Meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

**Present for the Board:** Heather Bonneksen, Chairman; Rachel Stahr, Vice-Chairman; Martin Mlyniec, Secretary; Muriel Miller; and Alternates Maura Robie and Laurie Pribble. Chairman Bonneksen seated Maura Robie for Stanley Crawford and Laurie Pribble for Chris House.

Staff and Others Present: Dayna McDermott-Arriola, Recording Secretary.

# Item 1: Audience for Citizens: none.

# Item 2: Additions to the Agenda

**Motion:** Heather Bonneksen, seconded by Muriel Miller, to add to the Agenda under New Business Item 5.2: Application of J & P Development for improvements to existing access to property on Parker Road. Motion carried unanimously.

# Item 3: Approval of Minutes - October 13, 2009

**Motion:** Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Muriel Miller, to approve the October 13, 2009 Minutes with the following amendments: Present for the Board Rachel Stahr, *Vice-Chairman*, Chris House (8:45 *p.m.*); Dot Blocker stated that she wished to follow up on concerns raised at the September 8, 2009 meeting; Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Rachel Stahr, that the changes to the site plan should eliminate potential impact to wetlands and, therefore, there would be no need for IWWA jurisdiction; Chairman Gilmond directed the Recording *Secretary* to file the adopted Bylaws with the Town Clerk; and Dayna McDermott-Arriola *Recording Secretary*. Motion carried unanimously, Laurie Pribble abstaining.

#### Item 4: Old Business: none

# **Item 5: New Business**

5.1. WP0110-01 EASTCONN, Inc. Applicant; 376 Hartford Turnpike; Construction of new 16,500 sq. ft. addition and associated site improvements, including an expanded parking area, a new septic system, a new electrical service, an expanded storm drainage system and an above ground storm water management area (i.e. detention pond) that reduces the post-development peak rate of storm water runoff to the pre-developed condition. Application Review [19.6 a.] fee of \$30 has not been received. Additional fees to be calculated.

**Motion:** Rachel Stahr, seconded by Laurie Pribble to receive Application WP0110-01 EASTCONN, Inc. Applicant. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Bonneksen introduced Donald Smith, Jr., Professional Engineer representing EASTCONN, John Baskowski, Chief Financial Officer, EASTCONN, and Michael Akona, Director of Facilities and Information Technology, EASTCONN.

Mr. Smith presented a map of the existing site with proposed activity for the construction of an addition to the existing facility, to be located in the present paved area, and for the construction of an expanded parking lot. He described the current and proposed drainage

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systems which include sediment traps, silt fencing, a berm, and a detention pond. Building plans and floor plans were also presented. Mr. Smith distributed packets containing:

- Property Survey and Topographic Map
- Demolition Plan
- Site Plan
- Grading and Erosion Control Plan
- Utilities and Septic Plan
- Septic System Details
- Drainage and Erosion Control Details

Copies of *Wetland Delineation Report* and *Drainage Report* were also distributed. Committee members will review the materials and continue the discussion at the next meeting.

# 5.2. Application of J & P Development for improvements to existing drive/access to property on Parker Road, approximately 600 feet. Application Review [19.6 a.] fee of \$30 has been received (check# 3820).

**Motion:** Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Heather Bonneksen, to receive the Application of J & P Development for improvements to existing drive/access to property on Parker Road. Motion carried unanimously.

Applicant Paul Deveny presented and distributed site plans and photographs for proposal to improve an established access way, approximately 600 feet long and 12 feet wide, which will entail removal of boulders, installing woven fabric, and spreading gravel, to be utilized for the harvesting of firewood and for hunting. Chairman Bonneksen noted that Vision Appraisals lists the site as two parcels. Mr. Deveny agreed to correct this and to add to the application that the proposed improvement to the access way measures less than 12 feet in width and to add the upland review line to the site plan. Mr. Deveny explained that an upgrading of an additional 450 feet of Parker Road was approved by Town Meeting last year, though, Chairman Bonneksen noted, the IWWA was not apprised of the change by the owner or by the Town.

John Valente will contact Mr. Deveny and review the proposed activity to determine whether a permit is required or the activity would constitute Use as of Right under Section 4 of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations.

# Item 6: No Permit Necessary

1. NP1209-01 Thayne D. Hutchins, Jr, Applicant; 910 Pomfret Road; Construct woodshed, installation of wood poles in ground without the use of concrete. Woodshed to be finished with pine siding and fiberglass roof. Application Review [19.6 a.] fee of \$30 has been received and deposited with the Town of Hampton Treasurer (check # 140).

John Valente will report on this at next month's meeting.

# Item 7. WEO Report

7.1 Monthly Report: John Valente will report at next month's meeting.7.2 Duly Authorized Agent Report: none.

# Item 8. Communications

Chairman Bonneksen reported receipt of copies of the Conservation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes for November 24, 2009 and December 22, 2009, the *Connecticut Federation of Lakes Newsletter*, and an email communication from the Selectmen's Administrative Assistant regarding the distribution list of citizens requesting IWWA Agendas and Minutes. The Board of Selectmen also requested that the IWWA submit their budget.

# Item 9. Discuss and Act on Any Other Business

9.1. Definition and/or clarification for the word 'filling' as it is used in Hampton's IWWA Regulations, Section 4 Permitted Uses As of Right & Non-regulated Uses.

Chairman Bonneksen distributed the Department of Environmental Protection's *Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Act CGS 22a-40 Permitted Operations and Uses Subsection* (a)(1): *Farming.* There was some discussion on Use as of Right versus IWWA jurisdiction requiring application for permit, and the filling of wetlands versus temporary bridges. Jody Charron, a licensed forester, explained the roles and responsibilities of licensed foresters regarding logging and the protection of wetlands. Chairman Bonneksen suggested that members visit the DEP website and review the information from the Department of Forestry. Members agreed to research the subject for further discussion.

### Item 10. Audience for Citizens

Tom Cavanagh explained the difference between filling and temporary bridges, stating that temporary bridges are used because they protect wetlands.

Jody Charron explained that the State uses this method on its projects because temporary bridges are protective of wetlands. He provided information on logging from the *Cooperative Extension Service*.

# Item 11. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Bonneksen adjourned the meeting at 9:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna McDermott-Arriola Recording Secretary