

February 27, 2013

7:00 p.m., Upper Level Meeting Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Bedini, Mr. LaMuniere, Mr. Papsin

ALTERNATE PRESENT: Mr. Martino

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Ajello, Mrs. Hill

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Neff, Press

Mr. Bedini called the Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and seated Members Bedini, LaMuniere, and Papsin and Alternate Martino. It was noted there was no subsequent business to add to the agenda.

Consideration of the Minutes

MOTION:

To accept the 2/13/13 Regular Meeting minutes as written.

By Mr. LaMuniere, seconded by Mr. Papsin, and passed 4-0.

New Applications

Mnuchin/218 Nettleton Hollow Road/#IW-13-01/Pesticide Application to Pond:

Mr. Ajello briefly reviewed past applications, citing the 5/24/10 report from Mrs. Corrigan, Conservation Commission, that the proposed work would not be harmful to the wood turtles and Jefferson salamanders in the area. He also noted that a condition of approval had been that the pond outlet be capped for two weeks after the chemical application. He read the 5/23/12 minutes and motion of approval, which granted a two year permit with conditions. It was noted then that the current permit would not expire until 5/23/14 and so an IWC application was not required at this time.

Wallgren and Rook/136 Old Litchfield Road/#IW-13-02/Pesticide Application to Pond:

Mr. Ajello circulated an aerial photo of the pond. It was noted there is a current permit, which will not expire until May 2013. Mr. Ajello will contact Mr. Gambino, contractor, to ask if the work will be done before that date.

Kessler/103-105 West Mountain Road/#IW-13-03/Driveway, Utilities, Well, Fence:

Mr. Neff, engineer, presented his plans, "Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan," dated 2/11/13 and "Driveway Culvert Plan," dated 2/11/13. He explained the current proposal is on a separate lot from the primary dwelling and is a scaled down version of what had been submitted a few years ago. He also noted that this lot is less constrained by wetlands than the main house lot. The only work that will disturb wetlands is he proposed driveway crossing over the intermittent stream. An existing bridge will be removed and a culvert installed through the narrowest section of wetlands. Mr. Neff stated the culvert has three times the capacity required for a 100 year storm. It will be sunk into the ground so the bottom twelve inches can be filled with natural materials. A stone headwall will be constructed on both sides of the driveway. One hundredth of an acre of wetlands will be disturbed. Proposed work in the regulated area includes the driveway, well, and propane tank. Mr.

LaMuniere asked if the limit of disturbance was the same as for the previous application. Mr. Neff said it was smaller. Mr. Neff discussed the proposed drainage system for the tennis court and roof runoff, which will be directed to a strip drain along the lower side of the area, to a catch basin, and then to an underground drainage system. Mr. Martino noted that a trench for the electrical service was proposed along the driveway. When asked why the proposed erosion controls did not cross the wetlands, Mr. Neff replied that they would create a dam and that the work would be completed quickly so there would not be much opportunity for erosion. Mr. Ajello said it would take longer to build the headwalls through the wetlands and asked if temporary erosion control measures had been considered. Although Mr. Neff said the stream had a low flow since there was only an 8.2 acre watershed above it and that the wetlands soils on site had a high clay content and so were generally stable, he agreed to add the installation of wire and hay across the wetlands. Mr. Ajello asked why the conduit was located outside the headwalls. Mr. Neff said the conduit trench would be under the stream and was separate from the driveway due to minimum clearance requirements for the culvert. Mr. LaMuniere noted the stream had almost no flow during previous site inspections and so thought the culvert was adequately sized. Steep Rock holds an easement on the property and has yet to submit a letter approving the proposed work. Mr. Neff noted that commissioners who want to inspect the site on their own prior to the next meeting should call the property owners.

Enforcement Report

Information that was not included in Mr. Ajello's 2-27-13 report included the following.

EIS Realty, LLC./92 Bee Brook Road:

Mr. Ajello OK's a minor change to the approved plan. A twelve inch trench will be dug around the building so that the foundation can be insulated.

Ingrassia/143 East Shore Road:

The construction of the retaining wall along the state right of way was discussed in detail.

MOTION:

To adjourn the Meeting. By Mr. LaMuniere.

Mr. Bedini adjourned the Meeting at 7:56 p.m.

FILED SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Respectfully submitted,
Janet M. Hill
Land Use Administrator