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INLAND WETLAND AND WATERCOURSE COMMISSION MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 11, 2022

HELD IN PERSON AT: EAST HAVEN SENIOR CENTER 91 TAYLOR AVENUE, EAST HAVEN

Chairman Rick Poulton called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all
- II. He then called the roll for the board as follows:

Rick Poulton - Present

Daniel McCann - Present

Kristy Porter - Present

Wendy Bellmore - Present

Also in attendance:

Jennifer Coppola - Assistant Town Attorney Jonathan Bodwell - Town Engineer Genevieve Bertolini - Stenographer

III. Approval of minutes of October 13, 2021.

Mr. McCann made a motion to accept the minutes.

Ms. Porter seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of minutes of November 10, 2021.

Ms. Porter made a motion to accept the minutes.

Mr. McCann seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of minutes of November 29, 2021.

Mr. McCann made a motion to accept the minutes.

Ms. Porter seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. New Business

A. Application #2022-03 for 95 Frontage Road.

Attorney John Knuff, 147 Broad Street, Milford representing 95 Frontage Holdings, LLC and East Haven Real Estate, LLC. They are the owner and tenant of 95 Frontage Road. Intend to make significant improvements to the site to construct a 2100 square foot Taco Bell Restaurant.

Kevin Hixson, Civil Engineer presented some of the engineering aspects of this site. He also explained their landscape plan.

Anthony Zemba, Senior Environmental Analyst, Certified Soil Scientist and Certified Ecologist with Land Tech Environmental based out of Westport, Connecticut; office at 518 Riverside Avenue. Gave presentation and answered questions regarding wetland watercourse resources. Presented some photographs. Identified invasive species.

Ms. Porter inquired as to how they will get rid of invasives. Inquired as to whether they are pulling them out or putting chemicals on them? What is the process?

Mr. Zemba replied there are a number of ways. Excavating being the most effective way to get rid of root fragments. That is what he would recommend.

Mr. McCann inquired how high is the bank to where the water is. His concern is at the 100-year flood. How fast would they overcome those banks to add to it?

Mr. Hixson replied it wouldn't overcome the banks, but flood elevation is seventeen. They will be treating the stormwater and reducing the flows.

Mr. Poulton commented that he was impressed with their plan. He asked Mr. Bodwell his thoughts on this.

Mr. Bodwell explained they have his comments. He requested cleaning up the brook. They have incorporated all of his comments from their meeting into the plan.

Mr. McCann inquired about what kind of fence and asked why chain link and not vinyl.

Mr. Hixson replied that the longevity of a chain link fence it greater and its ultimate purpose to make sure no debris gets into the wetlands.

Mr. Poulton inquired about the upland review area. Asked if there is significant impact to the wetlands or watercourse. He stated he saw none.

Mr. Poulton asked for a motion to approve with the conditions specified by the town engineer and installation of fencing on the west side of the proposed property.

Motion passed unanimously.

B. Application # 2022-04 for 31 and 100 Sperry Lane, 161 Foxon Road

Mr. Poulton inquired whether applicant was present.

Attorney Coppola stated she spoke to Attorney Bernard Pellegrino who represents the applicant and he did concede that this matter was appropriate for the holding of a public hearing. There is sufficient public interest to warrant a public hearing.

Mr. Poulton asked for a motion to continue the opening of the public hearing until June 8th.

Mr. McCann made the motion.

Ms. Bellmore seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Porter made a motion to adjourn.

Ms. Bellmore seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.