

MINUTES
MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
Regular Meeting on Monday, October 1, 2012
Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: J. Goodwin (Chairman), B. Chandy, R. Hall, K. Holt, G. Lewis (7:04 p.m.), B. Pociask,
K. Rawn, B. Ryan
Members absent: P. Plante
Alternates present: A. Marcellino, V. Ward, S. Westa
Staff present: Grant Meitzler, Wetlands Agent

Chairman Goodwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and appointed Marcellino to act in Plante's absence and Ward to act until Lewis' arrival.

Minutes:

9-4-12 – Regular Meeting- Ryan MOVED, Ward seconded, to approve the 9-4-12 minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Hall who disqualified himself.

9-12-12 – Field Trip Meeting- Ryan MOVED, Ward seconded, to approve the 9-12-12 field trip minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with Goodwin, Holt, Marcellino, Ryan and Ward in favor and all others disqualified.

Communications:

The 9-19-12 Draft Minutes of the Conservation Commission and the 9-26-12 Wetlands Agent's Monthly Business report was noted.

Public Hearings:

None.

Old Business:

W1501 - Block - Hanks Hill Rd - unit replacement in 150' area

Holt MOVED, Ryan seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License pursuant to the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to Michael Block of Block Properties, LLC, (File W1501) for the replacement of an existing single-wide mobile home with a double-wide unit on Lot 22, on property owned by the applicant, located at 8-22 Hanks Hill Road, as shown on plans revised to 8/22/12, and as described in other application submissions.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated significant impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned upon the following provisions being met:

1. Although erosion and sedimentation controls may not be needed, care should be taken when grading existing lawn areas next to the new unit;
2. This approval does not extend to erecting a new shed on an old foundation on the opposite side of the brook.

This approval is valid for a period of five years (until October 1, 2017), unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this agency for further review and comment.

MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Hall who was disqualified.

1502 - Wetlands Violation Ordinance & new statute changes

Item was tabled.

New Business:

W1504 - Kueffner - Rte 195 – Tree Scape

Ryan MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by Christopher Kueffner and Lynn Stoddard (W1504) for a tree-scape, driveway and parking lot, on property located on the south side of Storrs Road, ½ mile south of Route 32 and west of Baxter, as shown on plans dated 9-25-12 as shown and described in application submissions, and to refer said application to staff and committees, for review and comments.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1503 - Town of Mansfield - Sunny Acres Park

Holt MOVED, Hall seconded, to approve the request for exemption (file W1503), submitted by the Town of Mansfield acting through Curt Vincente its Recreation Director, for replacement of playscape equipment at the Sunny Acres Park located on Meadowbrook Lane, proposed work for which application materials and sketch mapping dated 9.12.2012 have been submitted.

This action is based on a finding of no significant impact, and is conditioned on the following provisions being met:

1. All erosion and sediment controls as described in the application shall be in place prior to construction, maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized.
2. The future parking area noted in the application submissions shall require a wetlands permit application before construction is started on this improvement which requires substantial grading in lawn areas within 150' of wetlands located on the adjacent property.

This exemption is granted under the provisions of Section 4.1 B (second). Any change in the work proposed is to come back before the Agency for review.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1492 - Healey - barn renovation

Holt MOVED, Pociask seconded, to approve the application for a modification to the March 8, 2011 wetlands approval (file W1492), submitted by Michael and Mary Healey for barn renovation and improvements to be located on property owned by Michael and Mary Healey, located at 476 Storrs Road, as depicted on a plan dated January 17, 2012 and bearing latest revision date 9.25.2012.

This action is based on a finding of no significant impact, and is conditioned on the following provisions being met:

1. All erosion and sediment controls as described in the application shall be in place prior to construction, maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized.
2. All conditions of the original approval are to remain in effect.

This modification is an amendment to the original approval and is made a part thereof, and is to be valid for a period of five years (until October 1, 2017), unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1490 - Eastbrook Mall - retaining wall changes

Tabled.

Adjournment:

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katherine Holt, Secretary