

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission
Public Hearing/Public Meeting
January 21, 2004

The Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission held a Public Meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Town Hall, Wethersfield, CT 06109.

Members Present: Fred Clark, Chairman
David Ambrose, Vice Chairman
Lawrence Buck
Antonio Margiotta
Frank Morris
William Randazzo
Michael Scenti
Paul Woodworth

Also Present: Donald Moisa, Wetlands Agent

GENERAL COMMENTS (Five (5) persons in the audience)

No comments.

PUBLIC HEARING

Application No. 500-03, ES, Thomas Vencuss, Wethersfield United Methodist Church, 150 Prospect St.

Application to construct a new addition to the south side of the existing church, not in a regulated area continued from the 12/17/03 meeting. Added Erosion & Sedimentation Control Plan Certification.

Mr. James Sheehy, L.S. was present to make a presentation to the Commission on behalf of the Wethersfield United Methodist Church. The application was tabled at the last meeting as requested by Mr. Sheehy due to not having specific plans regarding erosion and sedimentation control plans and drainage patterns.

Since the last meeting the Wethersfield United Methodist Church did acquire an easement from the YMCA regarding property to the east for drainage and new sanitary sewer connections.

Motion by Commissioner Buck, seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the application as a SUMMARY RULING having no significant impact. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Buck to CERTIFY the Erosion and Sedimentation Control plan. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Application No. 501-04, Robert & Debra Garten, 15 Carriage Hill Road.

Application to construct a residential addition within a regulated area.

Mr. Garten & Mr. Daniel Gagnon were present to make a presentation to the Commission on behalf of Peter Parizo, Surveying and Engineering of West Hartford, CT.

The project entails an addition to the existing dwelling within the 100 year floodplain.

Motion by Commissioner Buck, seconded by Commissioner Randazzo to Approve with Stipulations. The stipulations

are:

1. Applicant has acknowledged that his house is located in the floodplain and is expanding into a floodplain and is prepared to accept all risks associated with floodplains.
2. Existing shed must be relocated out of the wetlands prior to the certification of occupancy by the Town of Wethersfield.

Mr. Garten acknowledged the above.

All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Buck, seconded by Commissioner Ambrose to CERTIFY the Erosion & Sediment control plan as submitted. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Application No. 502-04 ES, Town of Wethersfield, The Great Meadows Conservation Trust, Middletown Ave. /Maple St. Application to remove a drainage obstruction along Beaver Brook within a regulated area. Also seeking Erosion & Sedimentation Control Plan Certification.

Dave Huff, DeCarlo & Doll represented the applicant and presented detailed construction plan drawings.

Motion by Commissioner Ambrose, seconded by Commissioner Buck to APPROVE the application as presented. Motion passed with Chairman Clark abstaining.

Motion by Commissioner Buck, seconded by Commissioner Morris to CERTIFY the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. Motion passed with Chairman Clark abstaining.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Approval of [Minutes - October 15, 2003](#) (FC,DA,LB,TG,JH,AM,WR,LS,MS)

Motion by Commissioner Ambrose, seconded by Commissioner Buck to approve the minutes of October 15, 2003. All voted in favor of those present at the meeting.

Approval of [Minutes - December 17, 2003](#) (FC,DA,LB,JH,FM,LS,MS,PW)

Motion by Commissioner Ambrose, seconded by Commissioner Buck to approve the minutes of December 17, 2003. All voted in favor of those present at the meeting.

2. Violations - 671 Wells Road

Mr. Gary Tufano personally appeared before the Commission regarding violations on his property of 671 Wells Road. Mr. Tufano was very cooperative and pleasant with the Commission. The Commission recommended that Mr. Tufano complete the following:

1. Shed to be moved out of the wetlands areas involved.
2. Chain link fence to be moved out of the wetlands area back to Mr. Tufano's property line.
3. Backhoe located on the property must be moved out of the wetlands area and tire tracks threads graded.

Mr. Tufano to check with town staff regarding the removal of brush within the Wetlands area. All of the above must be completed by the summer.

3. Correspondence (NO ACTION REQUIRED)
 - a. Notice of Declaratory Ruling on Bird Viewing Blind in Wintergreen Woods
 - b. Notification of an application to Connecticut DEP by David C. Anderson for a 30' X 48' membrane hoop house for storage at 156 Elm Street within the Connecticut River Channel Encroachment Line and the 100

year flood zone.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Scenti, seconded by Commissioner Morris to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion passed. Chairman Clark adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Don Moisa,
Wetlands Agent