



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

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COLCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue

Minutes of Meeting

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TOWN CLERK

A. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Falk von Plachecki; Chairman, Sue Bruening, Michele Kosmo, Rebecca Meyer, Michael Rogers, Jay Gigliotti, Wetlands Enforcement Officer, and Kacey Cavanaugh Clerk, Denise Turner, BOS Liaison, and Applicants representation.

ABSENT: Darrell York, Vice Chairman

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman von Plachecki called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA –

Motion made by S. Bruening to add F)b. W2020-3060 96 Stanavach Rd. and H)a. 2021 Meeting Schedule Motion was seconded by M. Kosmo. Motion carried.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 9, 2020

Motion made by S. Bruening to approve the minutes of September 9, 2020. Motion was seconded by R. Meyer. Motion carried.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

E. PENDING APPLICATIONS –

A. W2020-3056- 155 Prospect Hill Road, Zizis Alevras- Applicant/ Owner, Assessors Map 05-10 Lot 016-003, proposed new driveway and SFR on existing lot.

J. Gigliotti reported to the commission the proposal of a driveway on an existing residential lot. The driveway consists of 2 culvert pipes. Town Staff has reviewed and all comments have been addressed.

Motion made by M. Kosmo to approve W2020-3056 155 Prospect Hill Road, Zizis Alevras- Applicant/ Owner, Assessors Map 05-10 Lot 016-003, proposed new driveway and SFR on existing lot. Motion was seconded by S. Bruening. Motion carried

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B. W2020-3058 – 525 Norwich Ave, Chase Taylor- Applicant / Owner, Assessors Map 29-00 Lot 004-000, proposed wetland fill for equipment storage area.

J. Gigliotti reported on Town Staff having a few outstanding items that need to be addressed by the applicant, therefore, requesting a continuation of this application.

Motion made by M. Rogers to CONTINUE W2020-3058 – 525 Norwich Ave, Chase Taylor- Applicant / Owner, Assessors Map 29-00 Lot 004-000, proposed wetland fill for equipment storage area.. Motion was seconded by R. Meyer. Motion carried

F. NEW APPLICATIONS –

A. W2020-3059- 87 Upton Road, Alpha Q, Inc. Applicant / Owner, Assessors Map 09-00 lot 008-004, proposed expansion of existing access drive within URA.

J. Gigliotti reported this application to be an expansion of an existing driveway that is located within the upland review area. The application has just recently been received and is pending staff review. Ellen Bartlett spoke of the exiting gravel driveway and showed where the applicant was looking to bump it out so trucks are able to make the turn. Pervious asphalt will be used so it will not affect the drainage in anyway.

Motion made by M. Kosmo to CONTINUE W2020-3059- 87 Upton Road, Alpha Q, Inc. Applicant / Owner, Assessors Map 09-00 lot 008-004, proposed expansion of existing access drive within URA. Motion was seconded by R. Meyer. Motion carried

B. W2020-3060- 96 Stanavage Road, Culvert / Pipe installation.

J. Gigliotti stated this application is being made in response to an enforcement. The property owner has been working with staff to resolve. The application is to replace a set of culvert pipes and a gazebo that has been placed in the upland review area. The application was just received and will need further staff review before being considered by the commission.

Motion made by M. Rogers to CONTINUE W2020-3060 96 Stanavage Road, Culvert / Pipe installation. Motion was seconded by M. Kosmo. Motion carried

G. OLD BUSINESS – None

H. NEW BUSINESS –

A. 2021 Colchester Conservation Meeting Schedule

Motion made by S. Bruening to accept the 2021 Colchester Conservation Meeting Schedule as presented. Motion was seconded by R. Meyer. Motion carried

I. ENFORCEMENT –

A. Request by Wetlands Enforcement Officer for authority to follow-up with a Notice of Violation with Cease & Desist Order for 956 Middletown Road

J. Gigliotti reported of a letter received from the property owner's representation stating they would not be complying with the terms outlined in the notice of violation. A cease and desist order has been drafted. At this time staff is requesting direction to proceed. The commission directed town staff to issue the cease and desist order on November 9th, in order to meet the required 10 day time frame to

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have the show cause hearing, which will take place at the next regular schedule Conservation Commissions meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Motion made by M. Rogers directing town staff to issue the cease and desist order for 956 Middletown Road, on November 9, 2020, with the show cause hearing to be scheduled for November 18, 2020. Motion was seconded by M. Kosmo

J. CONSERVATION - None

K. CORRESPONDENCE –

- A. Wetland Administrative Permits - 11 Carrier Road – Above Ground Pool
- B. Staff updates & other correspondence- J. Gigliotti updated the commission on the Eagle Scout Project that was approved in July. Nick Paggioli, the Eagle Scout, was a pleasure to work with. Photographs were provided and the Commission was pleased with Mr. Paggioli work!

L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by M. Rogers to adjourn at 7:22pm. Motion was seconded by S. Bruening. Motion carried unanimously

Chairman von Plachecki adjourned the October 14, 2020 Conservation Commission meeting at 7:22pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kamey Cavanaugh, Clerk