

SALEM INLAND WETLANDS AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION
(IWCC)
REGULAR MEETING
January 12, 2015
7:00 PM

Present: S. Snyder, E. Natoli, E. Belt, R. Phillips, L. Wildrick, G. Balavender, F. Abetti
Alt,

Absent: D. Khan-Bureau, Vacancy Alt.

CALL TO ORDER: S. Snyder called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

M/S/C (Natoli/Belt) to seat F. Abetti for D. Khan-Bureau. Vote:
Approved Unanimously

PUBLIC HEARING: None

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA-

Add letter from Planning and Zoning Commission to Continued Business

APPLICATION (S): AR 14-11-01. Applicant, Chris Casadei, Hull Forest Products, Inc. Owners, John and Joanna Majcher-60 Woodchuck Road.

C. Casadei provided a map of the area to be forested. He stated it is a large track of land which abuts the reservoir. The land has been harvested in the past, and he will be doing a moderate thinning. There will be one wetlands crossing which they plan to use a corduroy construction to protect the wetlands. Most of the skid trails follow old farming or logging roads. They plan on starting at the tail end of winter, take a break for the wet spring months and start up again in the summer.

C. Casadei stated it would take approximately 12 weeks of good weather to complete the project. He stated he is a certified forester. The tops of the trees will be piled no higher than three feet so they will decompose faster.

L. Burdick (WEO) would like to see the wetlands crossing before the work starts if possible.

M/S/C (Belt/Wildrick) the Commission finds the application to be an As of Right activity. Vote: Approved Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. December 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes

M/S/C (Belt/Natoli) to approve the December 8, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes as amended.

Change the date in the heading of the minutes from December 9, 2014 to December 8, 2014

Vote: Approved In favor-Natoli, Belt, Balavender, Abetti, Phillips. Opposed-none. Abstaining-Snyder, Wildrick.

WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:

Liz Burdick stated she is dealing with a complaint on Gungy Road. The complaint stated the neighbor was filling in pot holes with topsoil which get washed into the wetlands. When she went out to investigate she met with the property owner who had filled in potholes on their driveway with millings which they packed down. L. Burdick stated that according to the regulations property owners of a single family residence have the right to maintain their property. She stated the work which had been done was actually preventing erosion into the wetlands. L. Burdick recommended issuing the property owner an agent approval, the Commission agreed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 10 Year Implementation Plan per the POCD.

S. Snyder and E. Natoli have not gotten together to work on the pamphlet.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers

S. Snyder asked for nominations for Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary three times.

The Commission nominated and voted unanimously for the following slate:

Chairman-Ed Natoli
Vice Chairman-Roger Phillips

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. Letter from Planning and Zoning Commission

The members received an email and were supplied a hard copy of a letter from Gloria Fogarty, Chairman of P&Z as well as an updated draft of the APZ regulations. The members appreciated the letter thanking IWCC for all their hard work on the APZ. S. Snyder and E. Natoli will draft a letter to P&Z in support of the APZ draft regulations which will be presented to a Public Hearing on Feb. 17, 2015.

CORRESPONDENCE:

**Soil Scientist Registry
CT Landscape Architecture
Eastern Ct Conservation District
Nathan Jacobson Christmas Card**

Budget

The Commission discussed the budget. They decided to cut \$500 from the legal line, \$250 from the conference line, and \$350 from GIS, for a total of \$1100.00 (31%)

CRITIQUE **None**

ADJOURNMENT: M/S/C (Belt/Abetti) to adjourn at 7:58. Vote: Approved Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sue Spang
Recording Secretary