

**WINDSOR LOCKS INLAND WETLANDS WATER COURSES  
COMMISSION WEDNESDAY June 1, 2016 , 7:00 PM**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Robert Crochetiere, Chariman; Maryjane Perrier, Vice Chair; Nicholas Giaccone, James Guthrie, Richard Pease, and Lacinda VanGieson.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jennifer Rodriguez, Town Planner, Dan Malo, Wetlands Agent, Mr. John Martucci, Engineer, Mr. Josh Wilson, Fuss & O'Neill

Mr. Crochetiere called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Mr. Crochetiere asked for a motion to accept the May 4, 2016 Minutes. Ms. Perrier made a motion to accept the May 4, 2016 Minutes, seconded by Mr. Guthrie. Motion carried.

**Scheduled Reviews:**

**a. Application: 4 Lawnacre Road, Industrial Bay Garage: See Mr. Malo's Report dated May 26, 2016:**

Mr. John Martucci, Engineer, representing the Applicant, came before the Commission to discuss the site plan. The original plan was approved in 2011 for a building 150 feet long by 75 feet wide. The new plan calls for a building 150 feet long by 50 feet wide and a depth of 50 feet at the same location as before to expand the detention basin pond. The applicant also wants to add a block wall at the end of the slope because the retention basin is larger and has more volume. Mr. Crochetiere passed out plans from a project at the site in 2001, showing the area as Wetlands, which were flagged. The new proposed map shows no Wetlands flagging and was determined by a treeline distance for this application and the 2011 plan. After discussion, the members agreed for the need of a soil scientist to reflag the Wetlands and resubmit the application. Ms. Perrier made a motion to resubmit the application in July, seconded by Mr. Pease. Motion carried.

**b. Application: 523 Halfway House Road, Site Remediation: See Mr. Malo's Report dated May 26, 2016:**

Mr. Josh Wilson of Fuss & O'Neill, representing the Applicant came before the Commission to present a site remediation plan for the property. Mr. Crochetiere stated that, in his opinion, this remediation (the removal of PCBs) will be a benefit to the Town of Windsor Locks. Mr. Giaccone asked Mr. Wilson if neighbors were to be notified. Ms. Rodriguez stated it isn't required because there is no public hearing. After reviewing plans and a long discussion about DEEP oversight, a motion was made by Mr. Crochetiere to approve the Application, seconded by Mr. Pease with one abstention. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**57 Elm Street – Upland Violation:** Mr. Malo said that he had made a visit to the site and there had been some improvement to the area with the removal of much of the debris, though there was still brick and glass around from prior site uses which weren't the responsibility of the homeowner. Mr. Malo will be meeting with the homeowner again within the next two weeks. The Wetlands violations have currently been addressed, but violations (blight/wetlands/zoning) may reappear, based upon the homeowners reaction and attitude towards the complaint(s)/complainants.

**New Business / New Product Follow up and Violations:**

**10 Center Street - Tree Maintenance:** Upon complaints and by direction by the First Selectman, Mr. Malo visited a home adjacent to Kettle Brook where the homeowner had a work crew cutting a tree down because it was dead. Mr. Malo left a card with the work crew as they were preparing to leave, and left a card in the door, asking for the homeowner to contact the Land Use office, as permission is needed prior to cutting down a tree in a wetland area. The husband contacted the office the next day apologizing for not knowing he needed permission. Mr. Malo visited the property with Jen Rodriguez, and the wife complained about what it had cost her, and that the work crew didn't return the next day to clean up the remainder. We offered our help as intermediaries to get the work crew to return to finish the cleaning, but the homeowner declined and asked for us to leave; the matter has been placed on hold. A discussion between Commissioners ensued on how to inform the public about the need to seek permission for wetlands adjacent maintenance projects.

**b. 100 Dibble Hollow Lane – Tree Maintenance:** Mr. Malo said that there have been complaints about a tree in the area that needs to be cut down. Ms. Rodriguez and he paid a visit to the site, and agreed that the tree should be cut down though it is in a difficult to access location behind the condo units. When asked by the resident what would she need to do to have it removed, Ms. Rodriguez advised her that she should contact a removal company, form a plan for removal, and inform the Wetlands Commission or Agent of that plan to determine any permit need.

**Public Input:** No members of the public were present

**Bills and Correspondence:**

- a. **Jackson Environmental, re: 321 Grasso, 499 & 501 North Street Study:** No Wetlands present
- b. **Algonquin Power- Preparation of a permit renewal for wastewater discharge**

**Other staff or member concerns:**

- a. **Workshop Opportunity - IWWC Legal and Administrative Updates**
- b. **The Habitat Newsletter: - Spring 2016 Issue.**

Mr. Pease drafted a letter to our Senators, from the Commission, expressing interest in a Hydro Power Study, to support a prior letter sent by the First Selectman, Chris Kervick. Mr. Kervick was unable to attend tonight's meeting to discuss the concept for the Commission, and no motion or votes were made regarding the matter.

**Adjournment:** At 8:20 PM, Ms. Perrier made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Guthrie. Motion carried

**Respectfully Submitted:** Pauline G. Taylor Recording Secretary