

WINDSOR LOCKS INLAND WETLANDS and WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, January 6, 2016, 7:00 PM

Commission members present: Chair Mr. Crochetiere, Vice Chair Ms. Perrier, Mr. Giaccone, Mr. Malone, Mr. Pease, Mr. Seaha.

Also present: Ms. Jennifer Rodriguez, Mr. Dan Malo, Wetlands Agent, Attorney Carl Landolina

Call to Order: Mr. Crochetiere called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Introduction of new Wetlands Agent: Mr. Crochetiere introduced Mr. Dan Malo to the Commission as the new Wetlands Agent. Mr. Malo spoke briefly about his background in this field.

Approval of December 2, 2015 and November 4, 2015 Minutes: Mr. Crochetiere asked for a motion to approve the December 2, 2015 Minutes. Ms. Perrier made a motion to accept the December 2, 2015 Minutes, seconded by Mr. Seaha. Motion carried by all members. Mr. Crochetiere then asked for a motion to approve the November 4, 2015 Minutes. Mr. Seaha made a motion to accept the December 2, 2015 Minutes, seconded by Mr. Malone. Motion carried by all members.

Scheduled Public Hearings, Reviews, or Action on Closed Public Hearing items: Mr. Crochetiere stated that there were none.

Just prior to Old Business: Ms. Rodriguez and Mr. Crochetiere introduced Attorney Mr. Carl Landolina to the members for a talk about Membership in Wetlands Commissions.

Mr. Landolina began by naming a number of Wetlands Commissions he has worked with, including Windsor Locks, and is familiar with some of its members. He stated his purpose is to spend more time with the Commission over the coming months. and to try and answer some of the questions unique to Wetlands operations, as it requires a higher technical knowledge, on the part of Chair people and other members, than on many other types of commission. He said that it was more difficult to make decisions for or against your neighbors than in many other type of commission, using the Finance board for comparison. He presented a number of potential problems, and possible actions, and was took questions from the Commissioners . He spoke for around an hour and was well received.

Old Business: Mr. Malo spoke about items from his Wetland Agent Report dated 12/29/2015 as follows:
211 Sutton Drive: Retaining wall issue settled as a maintenance right.

Woodbridge: No new work this season.

57 Elm Street: On 9/24/2015, Based on a complaint, Ms. Kate Bednaz visited and observed litter in the backyard of the property. A letter was sent to the owners in November and Mr. Malo inspected the property on 12/24/15 and found more debris. He sent another letter 12/31/15 advising them to spend some time on their backyard.

New Business: none

New Violations or Concerns:

Mr. Malo spoke about items from his Wetland Agent Report dated 12/29/2015 as follows:

West Street Crossing: Walked the site with Len Norton, Dana Steele, and Jennifer Rodriguez. See the comments in his report.

Szepanski/Acorn Corner: Trash in Swale, will coordinate with DPW for cleanup.

Correspondence:

Letter from CT DEEP: Regarding amendments to the IWWA & CT General Statutes.

Brochure from Society of Soil Scientists of Southern NE: Updated Registry of Soil Scientists.

Letter from Eversource Energy: Scheduled Maintenance/Vegetation Control within right of way.

In addition Mr. Crochetiere advised members that he had received an Email from the First Selectman's office about a meeting scheduled for 1/28/2015 which he was forwarding to the members.

Other Member or Staff Concerns:**Freedom of Information: (FOI Training)**

Reappointments: Mr. Crochetiere said that there are a number of vacant board positions. Parties are currently seeking nominees

Budget: Mr. Crochetiere asked if every member got a copy of the 2016 budget. He then asked for a motion to accept the budget. Mr. Seaha made a motion to accept the budget for 2016, seconded by Mr. Malone. Motion carried by all members.

Adjournment: Mr. Crochetiere asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Seaha made a motion to adjourn the Wetlands Commission January 6, 2016 meeting, seconded by Mr. Pease. Motion carried by all members at 8:22 PM.