

MINUTES
INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
MARCH 25, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL ANNEX - COMMUNITY ROOM 2

I. ROLL CALL

Agency: Scott, Sutphen, Block, Williams, Furlong
Staff: Jones, Galetta

Chairperson Scott called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and sat Furlong for Ashworth.

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – None

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF March 11, 2015

MOTION: To approve the minutes of March 11, 2015, as written.

Motion made by Sutphen, seconded by Williams, so voted unanimously.

IV. NEW APPLICATIONS

1. Stambaugh Property, 9 Ashby Street

Architect Peter Springsteel and property owner John Stambaugh appeared before the Agency to propose a garden shed in the rear yard of 9 Ashby Street. The property currently has two structures on it and a stream that runs along the back property line. The plan is to construct the shed on piers within the 100' buffer. The area is somewhat disturbed and intensely used at present for gardening. The applicant is requesting this location in order to avoid a buried propane tank and utilities and the recreational area of the yard. Additionally, Town of Groton Zoning Regulations will not allow its placement in the front yard. There will be very little impact in terms of excavation as the pier holes will be dug by hand. The shed will be 8' x 13' and placed on the piers a few inches above ground. The applicant stated that his wife practices organic gardening and no gasoline or motorized machinery will be put in the shed.

Staff noted that since this is a new application the Agency cannot take any action at this meeting. A site walk was not scheduled

MOTION: To classify the application as minor.

Motion made by Sutphen, seconded by Block, so voted unanimously.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Report of Chair – None

2. Report of Staff

Staff noted that the Agency should have received an e-mail announcement about the April 9, 2015 Connecticut Economic Resource Center, Inc. (CERC) Municipal Training

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presentation. It is being hosted by the Office of Planning and Development Services and the Economic Development Commission and all the land use commissions are invited to attend.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Barbara Block, Secretary
Inland Wetland Agency

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