

INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
APRIL 11, 2007 - 7:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL ANNEX - COMMUNITY ROOM 2

I. ROLL CALL

Agency: Scott, Block, Sutphen, Keeler,
Alternates Ashworth and Furlong
Staff: Jones

Scott appointed Ashworth to sit as a regular member for Williams.

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – None.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of March 28, 2007

MOTION: To approve the minutes of March 28, 2007.

Motion by Sutphen, seconded by Keeler, so voted unanimously.

IV. NEW APPLICATIONS

1. Nordquist Residence, 42 Somersett Drive

Staff reviewed the location of the property, noting that the Department of Public Works installed a drain on the Nordquist property three years ago to control the flooding that occurs from the wetland on the undeveloped property east of Somersett Drive.

Mr. Nordquist presented pictures of his property and reviewed his application. He would like to regrade his yard to eliminate uneven terrain and to repair an eroded area leading from the wetland to the drain in his yard. Scott suggested using stone rather than sod to stabilize the eroded area and that the low spots be spot filled rather than completely regraded. Sutphen suggested using wetland shrubs and grasses in the wet areas.

The Agency tabled the application to the next meeting.

2. Receipt of New Applications

• Biscuiti Property, 115 Cedar Road

Paul Biscuiti reviewed his application to install a new water line in his existing driveway off Cedar Road. He noted that his existing water line extends from Charles Street through his neighbor's property. There is no easement through the neighbor's property for the line. He

stated that the work should take about 2 days to complete. Scott asked about the dewatering plan and Mr. Biscuiti reviewed the procedure.

MOTION: To classify the application as minor.

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

V. PENDING APPLICATIONS - None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Report of Chair

Scott reported that a tent has been erected on the Beebe Woods open space. Staff will make the Parks and Recreation Department aware of the structure.

Sutphen noted that there is mulch stockpiled on the Crouch Nursery property on Route 184 without containment.

2. Report of Staff

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Staff reported that a new nursery on Flanders Road, approved as B&W paving two years ago, is ready to open. The slope in the back of the property has not been stabilized per the conditions on the wetland permit. She noted that although an as-built survey shows that the slope is less steep than that shown on the plan, the erosion control mat is appropriate for more moderate slopes. The Agency directed that erosion control matting suitable for the slopes be placed over top of the existing mat in order to meet the intent of the permit.

Staff reported that she has received a complaint of filling and debris being placed in the wetlands at the Whittle gravel operation on Yetter Road. The operation has been in existence since before Wetland Regulations. Staff is investigating the complaint as well as changes in the overall operation at the site. She noted that the zoning official and town attorney are also reviewing what regulatory authority the town has over the pre-existing gravel excavation.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eunice Sutphen