

Redding Conservation Commission

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MINUTES

Tuesday, June 21, 2005
8:00 p.m. – Old Town House

Present: David Pattee, Chairman; Jeremiah Ross; William Hill; Frederick Schroeder; Joseph Beres; Wallace Perlman, seated at 8:30 p.m.

Absent: Victor DeMasi

Also present: Natalie Ketcham, First Selectman

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

- I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -Meeting of June 7, 2005
 - Site Walk Minutes 6/10/05
 - Mr./Mrs. R. Green, 77 Marchant Road
 - Mr./Mrs. T. Myers, 44 Blueberry Hill Rd.
 - Mr./Mrs. M. Warren, 11 Seventy Acre Rd.
 - Ms. Mary Burritt, 471 Newtown Turnpike
 - Ms. Moriat McNamara, 26 Goodsell Hill Rd.

On the motion of J. Ross and the second of F. Schroeder, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the 6/7/05 Meeting Minutes.

Minutes to the 6/10/05 will be voted on at the next meeting.

- II. REGULATORY
 - Application #05-20, Cedar Ridge LLC (owners), Nina Stietzel (agent), 676 Redding Road. Received 5/3/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application to relocate Chapman Historical House, #8 Limekiln Road to 676 Redding Road within the regulated area. Site Walk 5/9/05. Discussion 5/17/05.

No one was present for the applicant. D. Pattee reported that the application was not accepted by ZBA due to the presence of wetlands and need for a conservation license. Further discussion was tabled pending attendance of the applicant.

Application #05-22, Anne Aunio-Green and Robert Green, 77 Marchant Road. Received 6/7/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application to construct a kitchen addition within the regulated area. Site Walk 6/10/05.

No one was present for the applicant.

On the motion of J. Beres and the second of J. Ross, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Application #05-22.

Application #05-23, Tom and Katy Myers, 44 Blueberry Hill Road. Received 6/7/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application to install a new septic field for new construction and to pave driveway within the regulated area. Site Walk 6/10/05.

No one was present for the applicant.

On the motion of J. Beres and the second of J. Ross, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Application #05-23.

Application #05-24, Michael Warren and Amanda Hutchins Warren, 11 Seventy Acre Road. Received 6/7/095. Discussion and possible vote on an application to construct a detached garage within the regulated area. Site Walk 6/10/05.

Bob Pariso was present for the applicant.

On the motion of W. Hill and the second of J. Ross, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Application #05-24.

Application #05-25, Mary Burritt, 471 Newtown Turnpike. Received 6/7/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application to construct dwelling, driveway and well within the regulated area.

Wayne Burritt was present for the applicant. D. Pattee noted receipt of letters from Aquarion and D. Hartline.

On the motion of J. Beres and the second of W. Hill, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Application #05-25.

Application #05-26, Moriat McNamara(owner), Land Tech Consultants (agents), 26 Goodsell Hill Road. Received 6/7/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application to construct a portion of the driveway and stormwater control system within the regulated area. Site Walk 6/10/05.

Chris Allen from Land Tech was present for the applicant.

On the motion of J. Ross and the second of W. Hill, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Application #05-26.

Application #05-27, Town of Redding (owners), Rob Blick (agent), 486 Redding Road, John Read Middle School. Received 6/7/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application for IPM –Turf Maintenance Plan within the regulated area.

R. Blick and Chris Allen from Land Tech were present for the applicant.

D. Pattee noted that effective today, Public Act 05-252 prohibits the use of non-organic pest management plans after July, 2008.

Mr. Pattee reiterated his desire for organic-based options in addition to traditional pesticides. He noted that the absence of long-term studies on children and pesticides.

N. Ketcham stated that the challenge has been to balance the community investment in fields with environmental needs. She stated that Land Tech is responsible for detailing the specific chemicals proposed for use.

The Commission concurred that a one-time pesticide treatment may be applied only after receipt of a list of broadleaf chemicals outlined in terms of level of toxicity, quickest chemical breakdown and effectiveness. Land Tech will email the list to D. Pattee this week.

D. Pattee also encouraged planning for a pesticide-free IPM for future use.

Application #05-28, Town of Redding (owners), Rob Blick (agent), 37 and 33 Lonetown Road, Redding Community Center and Redding Elementary School Complex. Received 6/7/05. Discussion and possible vote on an application for IMP- Turf Maintenance Plan within the regulated area.

See Application #05-27.

Application #05-29, Frank Marini, 411 and 417 Rock House Road. To receive and discuss an application for wetland activities associated with a four-lot subdivision.

Mr. Marini was present along with Ronald Ochman. The proposed site development plan was displayed and reviewed. A site walk was scheduled for Fri., 7/1/05 at 5:30 p.m.

Application #05-30, James F. Billett, 207 Poverty Hollow Road. To receive and discuss an application to repair existing irrigation system, repair roof and yard drains, removal of brush and dead limbs non-mechanized and repair of gazebo and replant lawn with sod within the regulated area.

Brian Davis was present for the applicant. He reviewed the work that has been done up to this point as well as the remediation efforts. The Commission granted permission to replace the irrigation piping to get to the front yard area and reiterated the prohibition of pumps and pipes. A site walk was scheduled for Fri., 7/1/05 at 6:00 p.m.

Application #05-31, Town of Redding, 33 Lonetown Road (Redding Elementary School). To received and discuss an application to install a 10,000 above ground tank within the regulated area. (Piping to existing tank to be disconnected.)

Nicolle Burnham from Milone & MacBroom was present. All three proposals were reviewed in detail and due to the familiarity of the sites, no site walks were scheduled.

Application #05-32, Town of Redding, 28 Great Oak Lane (Town Garage), To receive and discuss an application to install a 10,000 gallon gas and 20,000 diesel tank above ground and two 1,000 gallon above ground oil tanks within the regulated area.

See Application #05-31 above.

Application #50-33, Town of Redding, 23 Cross Highway (Old Town House). To receive and discuss an application to install an underground oil tank within the regulated area.

See Application #05-31 above.

Thomas Yates (owner), Neil Marcus, Esq. (agent), 217 Ethan Allen Highway (Route 7). Discussion regarding bridge removal and installation of the stone abutments.

Atty. Marcus reported that he is still awaiting new information. No discussion.

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

J. Beres reported on the status of the draft for the Redding Forest Management and Conservation Commission.

On the motion of F. Schroeder and the second of J. Ross, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 p.m.

Submitted by:
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