

Hampton IWWA Minutes
Regular Meeting – February 4, 2020
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Vice-Chairman Witkowski called the Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present for the Board: Stan Crawford, Peter Witkowski, Pat Cascio, Martin Mlyniec

Not Present: Heather Bonneksen, Muriel Miller, Glen Newcombe

Staff and Others Present: Wetlands Enforcement Officer John Valente, Recording Clerk Dayna Arriola, Greg Glaude of Killingly Engineering Associates.

Item 1: Audience for Citizens: none.

Item 2: Additions to the Agenda: none

Item 3: Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of October 1, 2019 and Special Meeting of January 11, 2020

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Pat Cascio, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2019 and the Special Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4: Old Business

Item 1: WP0120-01: Stonehurst at Hampton Valley, LLC, Craig Gates, Applicant; 119 Providence Tpke, Hampton, Ct. Proposed Activity: To access an area for wedding photographs and other wedding venues, crossing of three intermittent watercourses and approximately 3900 square feet (in total) of wetlands, location 1/3 mile south on Drain Street just past the Little River and adjacent to power lines. Discuss setting a date for a Public Hearing.

Greg Glaude, representing the applicant, provided a brief overview of the proposed activity and distributed plans illustrating the areas the owner wants to access, which necessitates three wetland crossings.

John Valente explained the rationale for holding a Public Hearing, which may be scheduled if the activity is: in the public interest; if at least 25 petitioners submit a request for a Public Hearing within 14 days of the Agency's receipt of the application; or if the Agency believes the activity constitutes "significant impact" defined in section 2.29 (1) of the Town of Hampton Inland, Wetlands and Watercourses Agency Regulations as "Any activity involving deposition or removal of material which will or may have a substantial effect on the wetland or watercourse or on wetlands or watercourses outside the area for which the activity is proposed." Mr. Valente stated that the proposed activity falls within this category.

Mr. Glaude confirmed that he will present the alternate plans at the Public Hearing.

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Peter Witkowski, to hold a Public Hearing for WP0120-01 in accordance with Section 2.29 (1) of the Town of Hampton Inland, Wetlands and Watercourses Agency Regulations. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Valente stated that the Public Hearing will be held prior to the next Regular Meeting on March, 3, 2020 starting at 7PM. Mr. Valente also reviewed the procedures for the Public Hearing.

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Item 4: New Business: none.

Item 6: No Permit Necessary: none.

Item 7: WEO Report

1. **Monthly Report:** John Valente reported that the dam at the Pribble property has been completed. He also reported on developments at the solar fields on Route 6, where extra detention basins were recently installed. There are no other ongoing activities.
2. **Duly Authorized Agent Action:** Mr. Valente issued one building permit about one month ago.

Item 8: Communications:

Registry of Soil Scientists from the Society of Soil Scientists of Southern New England
Notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 185 West Fisk Road,
Hampton, from the Connecticut Siting Council

Item 9: Discuss and Act on Any Other Business

1. Discuss and Act on FY2020-2021 Budget Request

On Chairman Bonneksen's suggestion, it was agreed to submit a request level with last year's proposal. Mr. Valente noted that the subscription for *The Habitat* would require an additional \$15.

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Stan Crawford, to increase the line item for Subscriptions from \$75 to \$90. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Stan Crawford, seconded by Martin Mlyniec, to approve the proposal for the FY2020-2021 budget request. Motion carried unanimously.

2. By-Law Review:

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Stan Crawford, to table discussion on this item until the next scheduled Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 10: Audience for Citizens: none.

Item 11: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Agency, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dayna Arriola
Secretary