

Hampton IWWA Minutes
Regular Meeting – April 5, 2016
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The Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency was held on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at the Town Office Building.

Stan Crawford called the Meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Present for the Board: Stan Crawford; Muriel Miller; Glen Newcombe; Martin Mlyniec (7:30).

Staff and Others Present: John Valente, Wetlands Enforcement Officer; Dayna McDermott-Arriola, Recording Secretary.

Item 1: Audience for Citizens: none.

Item 2: Additions to the Agenda: none.

Item 3: Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of November 3, 2015

Motion: Glen Newcombe, seconded by Muriel Miller, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4: Old Business: none.

Item 5: New Business: none.

Item 6: No Permit Necessary

John Valente reported on the following applications:

1. NP1015-01: Anne and Eric Rice, Applicants; 174 South Brook Road. Proposed Activity: construct 12' X 28' garage/shed and eventual grading (not much required) to improve parking near structure. Application Review Fee of \$30 received.

Item 7: WEO Report

1. Monthly Report: Mr. Valente reported on notifications of timber harvest submitted by John Trowbridge, Rod Burgess, and Joseph Theroux, as well as the inspection of the site for Affordable Tree Service.
2. Duly Authorized Agent Report – none.

Item 8: Communications:

The Habitat Winter, 2016

Notification of 2016 Small Cities Grant Application from the Hampton Regional Housing Rehabilitation Program

Society of Soil Scientists of Southern New England pamphlet

Petition for Declaratory Ruling on the Fisk Road Solar Project from ECOS Energy

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Item 9: Discuss and Act on any other Business

1. Solar Farm Proposal

Mr. Valente displayed the maps received by the Zoning Enforcement Officer for the Solar Farm Proposal, a 39 acre parcel on Hartford Turnpike and Fisk Street. Though the IWWA has no jurisdiction over the proposed activity, as the Connecticut Siting Council is solely responsible for the development, construction, operation and maintenance of the project, Mr. Valente, in conjunction with the ZEO, will submit a list of concerns to the Council, specifically that the plans, which are only 35% complete, will include intermediate measures to reduce the velocity of storm water and diminish the sediment load, and will integrate weed management plans. Agency members agreed with this course of action.

Item 10: Audience for Citizens:

Conservation Commission Chairman Randy Thompson shared the same concerns regarding the Solar Farm Proposal, particularly the use of herbicides for weed management.

Item 11: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Agency, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dayna McDermott-Arriola
Recording Secretary