

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

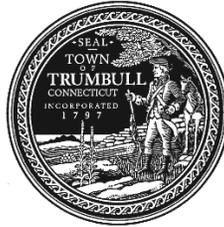
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SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Richard Girouard Vice-Chairman John Lauria
Kevin Chamberlain, Secretary Richard Deecken
Carmine DeFeo Mark MacKeil
Andrew Lubin, Alternate David Molgard, Alternate
David Verespy, Alternate

ABSENT: Guido Picarazzi

ALSO

PRESENT: William Maurer, P.E., L.S., Amrik Matharu, Civil Engineer and Town Attorney
Vincent Marino.

NEW BUSINESS:

Application 15-20, Michael Masonotti - Permit approval to construct a pool house within a regulated area at 24 Rocky Hill Road.

Mr. Michael Masonotti of 24 Rocky Hill Road was present and indicated the pool was installed with a permit years ago and is now under the understanding that it is also too close to the regulated area.

Mr. Maurer stated this application was a result of the pool house going through ZBA for a variance. The lot had been filled in the rear part of the property in the 1980's prior to Mr. Masanotti taking ownership. The wetlands flagging shows the pool house (already constructed) 68' away from the wetlands. This commission did conduct a site walk at this property last year. No paperwork pertaining to a violation has been filed to date because Mr. Masanotti has been cooperative and he was not responsible for the filling. The previous owners filled the rear of the property.

Mr. Masanotti stated the pool house was built 8-9 years ago and has owned the property 18+ years. He installed the pool and built the pool house. Mr. Masanotti indicated for Mr. Maurer that he had a permit for the pool but not the pool house.

Mr. Maurer stated the pool should be added to this application based on the applicant's site plan. The pool is just within the 100' regulated area.

Mr. Masanotti explained his neighbors had told him prior to him owning the property a company had been bringing in fill and the Town had stopped them. The mapping showing a 30' elevation is accurate, the area is steep. Mr. Maurer explained the fill brought in was basically from the back of the garage to the gentle slope of the toe of the hill. The whole back portion there had been filled with a significant amount of fill in the 1980's.

Mr. Masanotti confirmed for the Chair that the pool did have a permit. He has been working with Mr. Wenz of the P&Z Dept. Mr. Wenz had directed him to go to this commission first. The pool house was built at the same time as the pool. Originally the pool house was planned as a deck, when he changed to a pool house he should have gone through the proper procedures. The Chair explained the reason this needs to go to ZBA is due to the size of the pool house. Mr. Masanotti stated no fill was brought in for the pool house. Commissioner Deecken stated the fill has been there for 30+ years. The area is stable. Mr. Masanotti stated there has been no shifting or sinking to date. The commission noted the pool and pool house are within the original wetland area, but had been filled to the point where they no longer exist. Mr. Masanotti stated he would bring pictures of the site for the next meeting.

Motion (Chamberlain), seconded by (Deecken) to RECEIVE.

Application 15-21, Edward Higgins - Permit approval to remodel and construct an addition and a deck to an existing home within a regulated area at 192 Sterling Road.

Mr. Zoltan Szabo owner of 192 Sterling Road and Edward Higgins Contractor of 31 April Drive, Easton, CT were present. Mr. Higgins indicated that they are going 15' out to the back and 5' at 2/3 of the house. Mr. Maurer presented mapping which shows the 100' regulated area setback at the front of the house. There are no wetland flags on the map. The wetlands are beyond the stonewall at the back right hand corner beyond the 18" Maple tree. The wetlands are behind Holy Cross Church and a small amount come onto his property. Commissioner Chamberlain stated after having reviewed the map and the GIS mapping the activity at its closest point to the wetlands is +/- 50'. The applicant stated there are no grading changes being made and no fill is being brought in. No trees are proposed to be cut. The commission noted the plans need to be updated to show no grading and/or fill being brought in. The proposed activity needs to be shown on the plans properly. Mr. Maurer indicated that the storm-water management also has to be shown and submitted. The applicant agreed.

Motion (Deecken), seconded (Chamberlain) to CLOSE New Business. VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously. New Business CLOSED at 7:29 p.m.

Motion (Chamberlain), seconded (Deecken) to approve the July 7, 2015 meeting minutes as submitted. VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

The Chair distributed a proposed ordinance/fine schedule in draft form to the commission. The commission discussed and reviewed the proposed fines. The commissioners will further review the proposed ordinance and report back at a later date.

SCHEDULE FIELD INSPECTION(S) – By unanimous consent the commission scheduled the Field Inspections for Applications 15-20 and 15-21 for Tuesday, September 15, 2015 leaving the Town Hall at 3:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni, Clerk