

Southington Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency
Special On Site Meeting
Saturday, December 19th, 2009 9:00 AM
Minutes

The Southington Inland Wetlands Agency held a Special On Site Meeting on Saturday, December 19th, 2009 to view two Inland Wetland Applications. All regular Commission members were present with the exception of Mr. DeMello. Alternate Commsr. Camp was in attendance. Also present was David Lavallee, Environmental Planner.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM. Alt. Commissioner Camp was seated for Mr. DeMello. The first site visited was for IW #1168- Newell Street Associates seeking to fill .15 acres of upland review area for a new fueling station at 45 Newell Street. Mr. Bovino from Kratzert & Jones along with Doug Jones and Jack from Yarde Metals presented the proposal. A new fueling station is proposed within the river buffer. A permanent low berm will be constructed to contain the area of construction. A check valve, oil water separator and O&M plan will be required as part of the project. A portion of the newly paved area will sheet flow into a vegetated strip to avoid adding volume to the new stormwater storage/treatment system. Spill kits will be provided at the pumps. No alternative location appeared suitable due to turning movements of the trailer trucks that frequent the site. A motion to table was put forth by Commissioner Conroy, seconded by Cmmsr. Cabata and passed with all in favor.

The second site visited was for IW #1161.1, BJ's site revisions for increased storage area for stormwater and fill in wetlands. John Senese, Atty. Tony DeNorfia, Phil Doyle from LADA Land Planners and George Logan from REMA Ecological Services were present to give an overview of the project. A discussion of the request entailed altering the approved plans to allow for access to an adjacent parcel and to allow for an increase in stormwater capacity of a proposed pond and the construction of a new one for a pad site on the original parcel. The new pond is proposed within the 200' upland review area for a number of vernal pools. Mr. Logan was hired to assess the possible impact from the disturbance and siting of the pond within this area. A report addressing this issue has been given to the Commission for their review. The access proposed along the northerly portion of the site is likely preferred by the Commission given the legal access crosses two vernal pools and wetlands. A request for a comparison of the approved disturbance to the proposed (including wetland fill) has been made. A motion to table the item was made by Cmmsr. Sullivan and seconded by Cmmsr. Conroy; passing with all in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.