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MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 17, 2014 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: MONTVILLE TOWN HALL, *Council Chambers*

1. **Call to order:** Commissioner Brush called the July 17, 2014 meeting to order at 7:00 pm
2. **Roll call:** Commissioners Present: Brush, Houk, Risk, Deranleau, O'Bday. Commissioners Absent: White. Staff Present Colleen Bezanson
3. **Minutes**
 - a. Approve the minutes of the June 19th meeting. A MOTION was made by COMMISSIONER RISKE seconded by COMMISSIONER O'BDAY to approve the minutes from the June 19th meeting. **Voice Vote 5-0-0. MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **Public Hearings:** None
5. **Show Cause Hearings:** None
6. **Remarks from the public relating to items on the agenda:**None
7. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Daniel Stanavage:** An application for work within a regulated area on the property located at 55H Laurel Point Dr. Montville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 105 Lot 26. Staff indicated that Commissioners O'Bday and Houk visited the site and they stated what they had observed at the site. Discussion was held. A MOTION was made by COMMISSIONER HOUK and seconded by COMMISSIONER O'BDAY as follows: After giving due consideration to all relevant factors including those in Section 10 and or Section 4 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulation and Section 22a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move to approve application 214 IWC 4 **Daniel Stanavage:** An application for work within a regulated area on the property located at 55H Laurel Point Dr. Montville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 105 Lot 26 as depicted on the plan titled "Drawing of Lot" and the application and narrative dated 6/25/2014.
Standard Reasons for Approval
 1. The environmental impact of the proposed project does not have a significant effect on the inland wetland's and watercourse's capacity to support fish and wildlife, to prevent flooding, to supply and protect surface and groundwater, to control sediment, to facilitate drainage, to control pollution, to support recreational activities, and to promote public health and safety.
 2. The Commission has determined that the relationship between the short-term uses of the environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity will have no impact on the surrounding wetland system

3. The proposed activity will not have irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources.
4. The proposed project will not change the character and or add degree of injury to, or interference with, safety, health, or the reasonable use of property, including abutting or downstream property.
5. The proposed activity use is suitable to the area.
6. The applicant has taken all feasible measures to mitigate the impact of any aspect of the proposed regulated activity. **Voice Vote: 5-0-0. MOTION CARRIED**

- b. Town of Montville:** Modification of permit 213IWC 14 for sidewalk installation within a regulated area along Chesterfield Rd from the Bus Garage to the Montville High School Access Drive. Staff read an overview of the project and asked if the Commissioner members had drove by the site. Commissioner Houk indicated that he had and that the work would be a great addition to the area. Discussion was held. A MOTION was made by COMMISSIONER O'BDAY and seconded by COMMISSIONER DERANLEAU as follows: After giving due consideration to all relevant factors including those in Section 10 and or Section 4 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulation and Section 22a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move to approve application 214 IWC 4 **Town of Montville:** Modification of permit 213IWC 14 for sidewalk installation within a regulated area along Chesterfield Rd from the Bus Garage to the Montville High School Access Drive as depicted on the map titled " Sidewalk Instillation Chesterfield Rd Prepared by CLA Engineers Norwich, Ct. revised to 6/10/14" and the application and narrative dated 6/11/2014.

Standard Reasons for Approval

1. The environmental impact of the proposed project does not have a significant effect on the inland wetland's and watercourse's capacity to support fish and wildlife, to prevent flooding, to supply and protect surface and groundwater, to control sediment, to facilitate drainage, to control pollution, to support recreational activities, and to promote public health and safety.
2. The Commission has determined that the relationship between the short-term uses of the environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity will have no impact on the surrounding wetland system
3. The proposed activity will not have irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources.
4. The proposed project will not change the character and or add degree of injury to, or interference with, safety, health, or the reasonable use of property, including abutting or downstream property.
5. The proposed activity use is suitable to the area.
6. The applicant has taken all feasible measures to mitigate the impact of any aspect of the proposed regulated activity. **Voice Vote: 5-0-0. MOTION CARRIED**

8. New Business:

- a. **Hull Forest Products/Conrad Nelson et al:** A timber harvest with crossings on the property located at 486 Fitch Hill Rd, Montville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 47 Lot 51. Staff explained that the crossing was already existing and that corduroy would be used to prevent any erosion. No new crossings would be constructed. Discussion was held. A

MOTION was made by COMMISSIONER HOUK and seconded by COMMISSIONER O'BDAY as follows: After giving due consideration to all relevant factors including those in Section 10 and or Section 4 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulation and Section 22a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move to approve application as a permitted use as of right 214 IWC 7 **Hull Forest Products/Conrad Nelson et al:** A timber harvest with crossings on the property located at 486 Fitch Hill Rd, Montville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 47 Lot 51 as depicted on the plan titled "Timber Harvest Map Property of Conrad Nelson et al 486 Fitch Hill Rd Uncasville, Ct. Prepared by C. Casadei Hull Forest dated July 2014" and the application and narrative dated 7-8-14. In addition to the standard reasons of approval the Commission has determined that there will be no new road construction on the property that will have an impact on the wetland area.

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3. The proposed activity will not have irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources.
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5. The proposed activity use is suitable to the area.
6. The applicant has taken all feasible measures to mitigate the impact of any aspect of the proposed regulated activity. **Voice Vote: 5-0-0. MOTION CARRIED**

- b. **John Diamantini Jr.:** An application for work within a regulated are on the property located at 87 Lake Dr, Montville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 108 Lot 82. Staff explained how the applicant and the neighbor had a new boundary line drawn. The Diamantini's now owned a sliver more of property. The intent of the applicant is to grade the area and help with existing drainage. The stone wall will be repaired and new stairs are proposed to allow for easier access to the water. A MOTION was made by COMMISSIONER HOUK and seconded by COMMISSIONER RISKE to set a site walk date for August 14, 2014 at 5:30 pm. **Voice Vote: 5-0-0. MOTION CARRIED**

9. **Correspondence:** The Habitat, Connecticut Wildlife, and Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Algonquin Incremental Market Project

10. Other Business:

- a. CCI II LLC: 260 Leffingwell Rd, Montville, Ct. (Assessor's Map 61 Lot 11) emergency drainage. Staff indicated that the engineer hd visited the site but was not able to submit an application at this time due to other projects.
- b. Algonquin Gas: Commission discussed correspondence between the Town Attorney and Chairman Brush regarding the latest application and if it should come before the Commission for review. Chairman Brush asked staff to send a letter to Algonquin to provide further information as to why they are exempt from local permits.

11. Executive Session: None

12. Adjourn: Commission adjourned at 7:30 pm

NOTE: NO NEW BUSINESS WILL BE DISCUSSED AFTER 11:00 P.M. AND ALL COMMISSION BUSINESS WILL CEASE AT 11:30 P.M. ANY UNFINISHED BUSINESS WILL BE CONTINUED TO THE NEXT MEETING.