TOWN OF MONTVILLE INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES Thursday, July 16, 2015 7:00 p.m. LOCATION: MONTVILLE TOWN HALL, Council Chambers

- **1. Call to order:** Chairman Brush called the July 16, 2015 Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- **2. Roll call:** In attendance were Commissioners Brush, O'Bday, Riske, Houk, Berardy and Greiner. Staff present: Colleen Bezanson. Absent was Commissioner Deranleau.
- **3. Minutes** a. Approve the minutes of the June 25th special meeting

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Houk and seconded by Commissioner O'Bday to approve the June 25^{th} Special Meeting minutes.

Voice Vote 5-1-0. MOTION CARRIED. Commissioner Berardy abstained.

- 4. Public Hearings: None
- 5. Show Cause Hearings: None
- 6. Remarks from the public relating to items on the agenda:

Chairman Brush asked three times if there were any remarks relating to items on the agenda. There were none.

7. Old Business: a. **LVK LLC/Seymour Adelman:** An application for a processing operation on the property located at 127 Leffingwell Rd, Uncasville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 62 Lot 16.

Colleen Bezanson read an email from the applicant requesting an extension into record. She explained that the timeframe had been exceeded. A Cease and Desist order had been issued and was lifted at the last meeting because the applicant has installed all Erosion and Sediment control as instructed, however the applicant still needed a permit for the activity that was done. A discussion was held.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Greiner and seconded by Commissioner O'Bday as follows; I make a motion to deny application **LVK LLC/Seymour Adelman:** An application for a processing operation on the property located at 127 Leffingwell Rd, Uncasville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 62 Lot 16 because the application was incomplete.

Voice Vote 6-0. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner O'Bday and seconded by Commissioner Riske to issue a Cease and Desist order for operations occurring at 127 Leffingwell Rd, Uncasville, Ct. Operations without a permit.

Voice Vote 6-0. MOTION CARRIED.

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b. Hull Forest Products/Michelle Wilson: An application for a timber harvest with crossings on the property located at 550 Fire Street, Oakdale, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 13 Lot 3.

Colleen Bezanson gave a breakdown of the application and plans as follows: The property to be harvested is 54.6 acres. Two crossings will be required. Portable bridges will be used with hay tracking areas being placed at both ends. Existing woods roads will be used. No new roads will be created. The Project will take. 4-6 weeks. A discussion was held.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Houk and seconded by Greiner 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 215 IWC 14 **Hull Forest Products/Michelle Wilson:** An application for a timber harvest with crossings on the property located at 550 Fire Street, Oakdale, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 13 Lot 3 as depicted on the plan titled "Timber Harvest Map Laurel Ledge Farm, LLC 550 Fire Street Oakdale, Ct. Prepared by Chris Casadei Hull Forest Products dated May 2015 and the application and narrative dated 5/18/15.

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 5-1-0. MOTION CARRIED. Commissioner Berardy abstained.

8. New Business: a. Yales Auto Salvage: An application for remediation/maintenance of existing culvert outlet on the property located at 430 Maple Avenue, Uncasville, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 31 Lot 11.

Colleen Bezanson explained that the water had been tested. The existing culvert is functioning. However, the pool sediment levels were high and not functioning. There is sediment filling the pools with containments. The applicant wants to remove the sediment and move it off site and replant with new vegetation. This will create better sediment control and benefit the pond. Staff opinion is that this is permitted use of right and read the reasons into record. A discussion was held.

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Bob Russo, CLA Engineers for Green Site Design addressed the Commission. He gave a breakdown of the applicants plan. Mr. Russo explained that there was currently an island of sediment with vegetation growing up through it. The collection ditch needs to be cleared out. A discussion was held.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner O'Bday and seconded by Commissioner Greiner to schedule a Special Meeting on July 30th at 6:00 p.m.

Voice Vote 6-0. MOTION CARRIED.

b. Joseph Lavin/LBC Holdings: An application for the expansion of a parking area on the property located at 1127 Old Colchester Rd, Oakdale, Ct. As shown on Assessor's Map 37 Lot 4-84.

Colleen Bezanson stated there was a daycare on Old Colchester Rd. A new owner had purchased the property and wished to add four parking spaces within the wetland buffer. She gave a breakdown of the plans.

Peter Terenzio, LBC holding addressed the Commission on behalf of the applicant. He explained where the existing mounds of dirt on the property would be placed and used for. He gave a breakdown of the plans. A discussion was held.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Greiner and seconded by Commissioner Riske to continue the item to the next meeting.

Voice Vote 6-0. MOTION CARRIED.

- **9. Correspondence:** None
- **10. Other Business:** a. Determination if a permit is required for a house that is demolished to be rebuilt within the same footprint.

Ms. Bezanson explained that the previous owner had submitted an application which the Commission had approved. She gave a breakdown of the plan. The new owner would like to keep the house in the same spot. Ms. Bezanson asked if the application could be modified. A discussion was held. The Commission stated that the applicant would have to come back to the Commission with a modification.

- 11. Executive Session: None
- 12. Adjourn
- **A MOTION** was made by Commissioner O'Bday and seconded by Commissioner Riske to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Heidi-Lee Jacobs, Minutes Clerk for the Town of Montville.

AN AUDIO RECORD OF THIS MEETING IS ON FILE IN THE MONTVILLE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

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