

TOWN OF FARMINGTON
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

March 20, 2019

Present were Chairman Hannon, Commissioners Hinze, Simpson, Statchen, Wolf and Alternate Commissioner Berlandy and Tulin and Assistant Town Planner and Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Alternate Commissioner Tulin was appointed to vote on behalf of Commissioner Isner.
Alternate Commissioner Berlandy was appointed to vote on behalf of Commissioner St. James.

NEW BUSINESS

The Metro Realty Group Ltd. – 1 & 11 Munson Road and 97, 101 & 103 South Road

Regulated Activity within upland review area for proposed parking lot and infrastructure to support proposed medical office building. A representative from Milone & MacBroom provided a quick summary of the proposal for Commissioners that were not present at the last meeting. There was discussion for clarification regarding the dumpster location. It was described as presented on the site plan. Assistant Town Planner Rutherford commented on the retaining wall behind it and that the dumpster and parking lot are several feet above the adjacent upland review area and wetland.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Hinze/Wolf) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve The Metro Realty Group Ltd. application for regulated activity within upland review area for proposed parking lot and infrastructure to support proposed medical office building at 1 & 11 Munson Road and 97, 101 and 103 South Road as presented and on file in the Planning Office with the following conditions:

1. Implement an Integrated Pest Management Plan; and
2. The closed stormwater system shall be cleaned and maintained annually. Copies of the maintenance reports shall be provided to the Town of Farmington by January 1st of the following year.

Miss Porter's School – 44 Mill Lane

Regulated activity within wetlands or watercourse to remove foam insulation underneath the Grist Mill. Katie Bradley, Miss Porter's School, stated they would like to remove foam insulation from underneath the Grist Mill. They have found that racoons burrow in it and that there is old electrical wiring and duct work under it as well. They have an asbestos contractor that will perform the foam insulation removal work. The material has been tested and is not asbestos but the same containment process will be used to protect the river. Ms. Bradley stated they will reinsulate the area with an appropriate insulation while the scaffolding is in place. The plan is to do the work during the summer months when the water level is low and school is on summer break. The Commission recommended a boom be placed in the river in the event that some material gets to the river. They asked for clarification on the scaffolding and installation in that area of the river. Ms. Bradley responded that area is relatively calm. There was some

discussion about placing a seasonal restriction/requesting the work be done when the water level is lowest.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Hinze/Statchen) it was unanimously

VOTED: To accept the Miss Porter's School application for regulated activity within wetlands or watercourse to remove foam insulation underneath the Grist Mill at 44 Mill Lane.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Hinze/Simpson) it was unanimously

VOTED: To make the determination that the Miss Porter's School application for regulated activity within wetlands or watercourse to remove foam insulation underneath the Grist Mill at 44 Mill Lane is non-significant and that a public hearing is not required.

Commissioners not familiar with the site will coordinate a site visit through Assistant Town Planner Rutherford.

PLANNER'S REPORT

Winding Trails

Assistant Town Planner Rutherford described an area of dead pine trees that will be removed. They will be cut flush with the ground and stumps will be left in place.

Epicure Plaza

The plaza has a new owner and they would like to do some basic maintenance work and plans to conduct more work in the future. Trees that overhang the roof and other dead trees will be removed and curbing will be removed and replaced. Future work will be submitted for the appropriate approvals.

Pond and Lake Treatments

Assistant Town Planner Rutherford reviewed copies of application forms for various pond and lake treatments in Town that have been submitted to DEEP.

MINUTES

Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion made and seconded (Statchen/Wolf) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the March 6, 2019 Inland Wetlands meeting minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

SJM