



# Town of Griswold



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GRISWOLD INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & AQUIFER PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING  
GRISWOLD TOWN HALL

APPROVED MINUTES  
JUNE 16, 2016

## I. Regular Meeting (7:30 P.M.)

### 1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Robert Parrette called this regular meeting of the Griswold Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Conservation Commission to order on June 16, 2016 at 7:35 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

**Present:** Robert Parrette, Gary Serdechny, Clarence (Pete) Merrill, Alternates Lauren Churchill, Alex Grzelak, Town Planner Mario Tristany, WEO Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

**Absent:** Courtland Kinnie, Lawrence Laidley, Glen Norman, Edward (Jay) Waitte, Alternate Kevin Franklin

R. Parrette appointed L. Churchill to sit for C. Kinnie and A. Grzelak to sit for J. Waitte. There was a quorum for this regular meeting.

### 3. Written Complaints

There were no written complaints.

### 4. Approval of the Minutes

#### A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 21, 2016

R. Parrette asked for a motion on the minutes.

**MOTION:** P. Merrill moved to approve the minutes of April 21, 2016. G. Serdechny seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

#### B. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2016

R. Parrette asked for a motion on the minutes.

**MOTION:** P. Merrill moved to approve the minutes of April 21, 2016. L. Churchill seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

### 5. Matter Presented for Consideration

#### A. **CC 08-16 UNITED COMMUNITY & FAMILY SERVICES, 266 EAST MAIN STREET, GRISWOLD, CT.**

Requesting approval of commercial activity within a wetland/watercourse and regulated area in order to eliminate 1,656 SF of regulated wetlands; this area is a topographic depression located between the bottom of an adjacent embankment and the back of the former factory building. The soils meeting definitive criteria as "poorly drained". Said wetland is not a significant resource for wetland functions and values. (see Wetland Delineation Report) Successful redevelopment for a proposed health center requires elimination of the entire wetland for parking areas, circulation drive, stormwater management improvements and associated site grading. Property is zoned Industrial. This application has reached the maximum time limit.

R. Parrette stated that this presentation in our April meeting. He asked members if they had any questions or concerns for this application. He asked for a motion on this matter.

**MOTION:** A. Grezlak moved to approve CC 08-16 as presented. P. Merrill seconded the motion. There were 3 aye votes and 1 abstention. The motion was carried.

**6. Additional Business (New Applications)**

R. Parrette asked for a motion to put CC 09-16 on the Agenda

**MOTION:** P. Merrill Moved to put CC -09-16 on the agenda, A. Grezlak seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

**CC -09-16 Tuthill, Carol & Marvin, 381 Edmond Road, Griswold, CT.** requesting approval for residential activity within a wetland/watercourse and regulated area to install a 20 ft. floating dock on Hopeville Pond that will be secured to the lake bottom with four, 2-inch galvanized steel pipes with access to shore via a 4 ft. by 8 ft. aluminum composite surface ramp hinged to dock by a roller at existing concrete pad. Property is zoned R. 80.

R. Parrette asked if the applicant was present. Marvin Tuthill explained that the dock will be installed commercially and that it is made of a composite material and attached by poles to the bottom of the river. He stated that this type of dock remains in the lake for the winter, and are low maintenance. He stated that there is a brochure in the file to look at which he passed to the commission.

P. Zvingilas asked how it would be anchored. M. Tuthill stated that the installer explained to him that the steel polls are hand driven down until they hit dry sand at Edmond Road by the bridge. L. Churchill asked if it just floats by itself. M. Tristany stated yes, it just floats by itself and the poles hold the position. R. Parrette asked how it is mounted to the land. M. Tuthill stated that there is a four foot long gang plank that is hinged and that pivots on a roller on the existing slab on the land. P. Zvingilas asked that it doesn't have to be removed in the winter. He stated yes except if there is a lot of wind and ice building up a corner. P. Zvingilas stated that it is on Hopeville Pond so you don't have to go to the state.

M. Tuthill stated that he spoke to someone at the State and was told that the state had no say unless it was navigable waterways and the sound. He stated that it would just go to the local level.

R. Parrette asked for any questions. P. Zvingilas stated that you will vote on next month.

**MOTION:** L. Churchill moved to accept and table CC 08-16 to the next regular meeting. P. Merrill seconded the motion. R. Parrette asked for discussion. P. Zvingilas asked if it was deep out there. M. Tuthill explained that right at the shore it is shallow but the dock only needs an inch or two of draft. He stated that about 30 feet it is 9 feet and further out it is 15 feet deep. All were in favor. The motion carried.

R. Parrette stated that we will see you at 7:30 at next month's meeting.

**7. Reports from the Enforcement Officer**

P. Zvingilas stated that he has no report.

**8. Old Business**

There was no old business.

**9. New Business**

**10. Communications**

R. Parrette stated that there were a couple communications from the State; one was municipal agent training and the other was a workshop. There was discussion of this matter. P. Merrill was interested in using the voucher for the municipal agent on-line training.

**11. Reports from Members**

There were no reports from members.

**12. Conservation Commission Matters**

**A.** Discussion of the Earth Day Clean-Up of Glasgo Pond that occurred on Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 10 a.m.

L. Churchill gave a brief report stating that Rob, Courtland and She worked at the dam; they pick up four bags of trash from the area. R. Parrette stated that Ted Ribbeck stated that the car that is under water there and that it will be removed just before the dam is completed. There was discussion of this matter.

**New Item:** L. Churchill had concerns for the proposed State Police Gun Range proposed for the area near the State Forest and the Nehantic Trail in the Pachaug State Forest. She explained that she had some information from the DAS and cited example of some of the issues that she and other residents of Griswold who utilized that area for hiking, horseback riding and other outdoor activities as well as concerns for the wild life and noise. M. Tristany stated that a point of order was that noise was not a wetlands issue. She stated that the Conservation Commission to make a statement to the Selectmen. There was discussion of this matter including that there will be night training and during the day Monday through Friday.

G. Serdechny stated that with the State financial situation; we shouldn't be building anything. P. Merrill stated that this really is a political issue and that the commission should not be making a statement. G. Serdechny agreed with P. Merrill. G. Serdechny stated that there is nothing that relates to this commission; this is a private sale. There was further discussion of this matter.

R. Parrette stated that the state would come before the commission if they bought the property. M. Tristany stated no, the state is exempt from filing permits from local government. P. Zvingilas stated that the state forest was federal land that was turned over to the state and those lands cannot be used. There was discussion of this matter including a town meeting for a yes or no vote on June 22, 2016.

### **13. Adjournment**

R. Parrette asked for a motion to adjourn. G. Serdechny moved to adjourn. P. Merrill seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

## **III. Aquifer Protection Agency**

### **1. Call to Order**

Vice Chairman R. Parrette called this regular meeting of the Aquifer Protection Agency to order on June 16, 2016 at 8:11 p.m.

### **2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum**

**Present:** Robert Parrette, Gary Serdechny, Clarence (Pete) Merrill, Alternates Lauren Churchill, Alex Grzelak, Town Planner Mario Tristany, WEO Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

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### **3. Approval of the Minutes**

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R. Parrette asked for a motion for the minutes

**MOTION:** L. Churchill moved to approve the minutes. P. Merrill seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

#### **B. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2016**

R. Parrette asked for a motion for the minutes

**MOTION:** P. Merrill moved to approve the minutes. L. Churchill seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

### **4. Matters Presented for Discussion**

#### **A. APA 04-16 CAMPUTARO, PASQUALE, 522 PLAINFIELD ROAD, GRISWOLD, CT.** Registration of an inactive activity for an automotive repair facility at 522 Plainfield Road. (Note: Per Kim Czapl, DEEP, Skyline Recovery Service does not need to be registered.)

R. Parrette asked if there was someone to represent the registrant. Demian Sorrentino, ACIP and Soil Scientist was presenting the applicant. He stated that there has been back and forth correspondence with Kim Czapl of DEEP and a new registration was submitted for Repair and Maintenance of Motor Vehicles.

He explained that this activity is currently occurring here and this registration is to hold the activity for automotive repair so that it will not have to be registered. D. Szall stated that it was Kim Czapl's suggestion that a registration be submitted to hold the automotive repair facility. D. Sorrentino stated that Skyline Recovery Services does not have a regulated activity. D. Szall stated that she had received a call from Kim Czapl that Skyline Recovery Services and Mackin American Asphalt also did not need to be registered.

R. Parrette asked for any comments or questions from the agency.

P. Merrill moved to approve the registration APA 04-16 Pasquale Camputaro for a vacant site/ vacant activity automotive repair facility. A. Grezlak seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

## **5. Adjournment**

R. Parrette asked for a motion to adjourn. G. Serdechny moved to adjourn. A. Grezlak seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Szall  
Recording Secretary