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GRISWOLD INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2011

GRISWOLD TOWN HALL

I. Public Hearing (7:00 P.M.)

1. Call to Order

Chair Courtland Kinnie called this public hearing of the Griswold Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Conservation Commission to order on December 15, 2011 at 7:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Present: Chair Courtland Kinnie, Vice Chair Robert Parrette, Member Edward (Jay) Waitte, Dean Rubino, Alternate Gary Serdechny, WEO, Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

Absent: Stacie Stadnicki, Lawrence Laidley, Glen Norman

C. Kinnie appointed G. Serdechny to sit for S. Stadnicki. There was a quorum for this public hearing.

3. Matter Presented for Public Comment

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- A. Public comment on proposed new Griswold Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Municipal Regulations based substantially on the CTDEEP Model Regulations dated 2006 with yearly revisions through 2011 to replace existing Inland Wetlands Regulations with revisions from initial adoption on November 19, 1973 to April 2006 and to set an effective date.

C. Kinnie stated that this public hearing was continued from November 17, 2011 in order to wait for correspondence from CTDEEP. He stated that there is a letter in the file dated 11/30/11. C. Fontneau stated that this is the only letter until we enact the new regulations and send CTDEEP a copy of the enacted regulations. C. Kinnie read the letter for the record. C. Kinnie asked if the members reviewed the changes to the regulations and the updates. C. Kinnie asked if there have been any revisions other than what we have incorporated. C. Fontneau stated none. He suggested that 12/30/11 be set as the effective date if approved. There was discussion of this matter including that the items in the letter have been incorporated into the draft regulations

C. Kinnie asked for any questions or concerns from the members. G. Serdechny stated that since the October 20th date has been part of this public hearing and the revision date should remain October 20, 2011 since there have been no further updates. There was discussion of this matter.

C. Kinnie stated that for the record he would ask for comments or questions from the public, but there is no one present from the public. He asked the members again if they had any questions or concerns. He asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

MOTION: R. Parrette made a motion to close the public hearing. D. Rubino seconded the motion. All were in favor the motion was carried. The public hearing was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

C. Fontneau stated that since there were no applications on the agenda and that there was only commission business on the agenda, the regular meeting could start before 7:30 p.m.

II. Regular Meeting (7:30 P.M.)

1. Call to Order

Chair Courtland Kinnie called this regular meeting of the Griswold Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Conservation Commission to order on December 15, 2011 at 7:17 p.m. explaining that there were no members of the public present and no pending applications.

2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Present: Chair Courtland Kinnie, Vice Chair Robert Parrette, Member Edward (Jay) Waitte, Dean Rubino, Glen Norman, Lawrence Laidley Alternate Gary Serdechny, WEO, Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

Absent: Stacie Stadnicki

C. Kinnie appointed G. Serdechny to sit for S. Stadnicki. There was a quorum for this public hearing.

3. Written Complaints

A. There were no written complaints.

4. Applications

A. No pending applications.

5. Additional Business (New Applications)

A. No new applications

6. Reports from the Enforcement Officer

C. Kinnie asked for the Enforcement officer reports. P. Zvingilas explained that the Bitgood Road Bridge was completed and stabilized. He stated that at the school there were some breakouts and the contractors will be reinstalling silt fence around the new stair construction area; reinstalling silt fence near the field and at the catch basin on the driveway. He stated that at the trailer, the silt fence is falling over and goes on to the pavement where the trailer is, that section of fencing will be removed. He stated that the layout phase has been completed so there will be no more erosion in that area.

P. Zvingilas stated that there are a number of areas of standing water because of the heavy rainfall. There was discussion of this matter.

7. Old Business

- A. Discussion and action on proposed new Griswold Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Municipal Regulations based substantially on the CTDEEP Model Regulations dated 2006 with yearly revisions through 2011 to replace existing Inland Wetlands Regulations with revisions from initial adoption on November 19, 1973 to April 2006 and to set an effective date.

C. Kinnie stated that this was a prior public hearing and asked for a motion.

MOTION: D. Rubino made a motion to enact the Griswold Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Municipal Regulations based on the CTDEEP Model Regulations with this revision to be effective date December 30, 2011. R. Parrette seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

C. Fontneau stated that there is Item B under Old business that should be added to the agenda. C. Kinnie stated that it is in the report.

MOTION: R. Parrette made a motion to add **Item B** Discussion of the 2011 annual report of the MS4 Stormwater Management Plan to the agenda. D. Rubino seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

C. Kinnie stated to let the record show that G. Norman arrived at 7:25 p.m.

C. Fontneau explained that because of the lateness of the storm water samples, the public hearing will be held on January 19, 2012. He stated that report summarizes the work done through the year for the MS4 Stormwater Management Plan. He suggested a public hearing be set on 1/19/2012.

C. Kinnie asked for a motion to set a public hearing for the MS4 Stormwater Management Plan at the town hall meeting room. There was discussion of this matter.

MOTION: J. Waitte made a motion to set the public hearing for the MS4 Stormwater Management Plan at 7:15 p.m. on January 19, 2012 in the town hall meeting room. D. Rubino seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

D. Rubino left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2011

C. Kinnie asked for a motion. R. Parrette made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of November 17, 2011 as presented. G. Serdechny seconded the motion. There were 3 aye votes and 2 abstentions. The ayes carried.

9. Communications

- A. C. Kinnie read a Christmas card from Branse, Willis & Knapp for the record.

- B. C. Kinnie stated that there is card regarding Greenways with an on-line survey. G. Norman read the card for the record. He asked C. Fontneau to complete the survey on line. C. Fontneau will complete the survey.
- C. C. Kinnie read a post card from the Rivers Alliance regarding a meeting on 12/12/11.
- D. CT Wildlife Magazine was available to be read. C. Kinnie stated that there was an article about solar energy in solid form.

C. Kinnie stated to let the record show that L. Laidley arrived at 7:34 p.m.

- E. C. Kinnie read a letter a letter from the Rivers Alliance for the record regarding sewage treatments systems.

10. Reports from Members

C. Kinnie asked for reports from members.

L. Laidley stated that there was a problem at the school with silt fences. C. Kinnie stated that it was discussed in the Enforcement Officer's report.

11. Conservation Commission Matters

C. Kinnie asked for any ideas for Earth Day in 2012. C. Fontneau stated that Recreation Commission has an idea for working on the trail around the Sheldon Road Athletic Field and wetlands can possibly work with them to finish the hiking field. C. Kinnie asked what kind of work. C. Fontneau stated cutting brush and fixing the hiking path. C. Kinnie stated that there should be materials on the path and that the town has access to mulch and wood chips.

C. Fontneau stated that he has been attending the Recreation Commission meetings to have input regarding the Open Space Plan for greenways, hiking paths and athletic fields. There was discussion of this matter.

12. Adjournment

C. Kinnie asked for a motion to adjourn. R. Parrette made a motion to adjourn. L. Laidley seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

III. Aquifer Protection Area Management Commission

1. Call to Order

Chair Courtland Kinnie called this regular meeting of the Griswold Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Conservation Commission to order on December 15, 2011 at 7:45 p.m.

2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Present: Chair Courtland Kinnie, Vice Chair Robert Parrette, Member Edward (Jay) Waitte, Dean Rubino, Glen Norman, Lawrence Laidley, Alternate Gary Serdechny, WEO, Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

Absent: Stacie Stadnicki,

C. Kinnie appointed G. Serdechny to sit for S. Stadnicki. There was a quorum for this public hearing.

3. Matters Presented for Discussion

A. Discussion of forms and procedures for the Aquifer Protection Area Management.

C. Fontneau explained the regulations for the Aquifer Protection Area Regulations in the town of Griswold. He stated that these regulations are not discretionary and these regulations were written by the State. He explained that there are forms that are to be implemented which are sent to those businesses within the ARA that are on the no list. He stated that the business must register in order to be grandfathered and if they do not register, they lose the grandfather status. C. Fontneau explained that there is a fee schedule for the permit fees and registration fees based on the businesses acreages; these fees must be approved by this commission and added to Ordinance 144 by the BOS. He explained that the P & Z will have a public hearing to implement the overlay zone to the zoning map and add the supporting text to the regulations on 1/19/12. There was discussion of this matter. C. Kinnie stated that the members will review this next month after the zoning map has been implemented with the overlay zone.

4. Adjournment

C. Kinnie asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: R. Parrette made a motion to adjourn. J. Waitte seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Szall
Recording Secretary