

TOWN OF FARMINGTON
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

March 4, 2020

Present were Acting Chairman Isner, Commissioners Fox, Simpson, Statchen, Tulin, Wolf and Alternate Commissioner Bryk and Assistant Town Planner and Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark Abbott – 162 River Road

Regulated activity within upland review area for addition to house at 162 River Road. Mr. Abbott was present to respond to any questions from the site walk conducted by the Commissioners. The home expansion was staked out and the Commissioners were able to see its proximity to the access driveway and the river. Runoff from the existing house roof leaders and foundation drains currently discharge to a low point south of the house. This will not change when the expansion is completed. The Commission asked about a tarp that appeared close to the river. The homeowner responded he staked in landscaping fabric in an attempt to control poison ivy.

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

VOTED: To make the determination that the Mark Abbott application for regulated activity within the upland review area for addition to house at 162 River Road is non-significant in nature and does not require a public hearing.

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

VOTED: To approve the Mark Abbott application for regulated activity within upland review area for addition to house at 162 River Road as submitted and on file in the Planning Office with the following conditions:

- a. Include 150 ft upland review limit line on the plan.
- b. Additional erosion control measures needed: perimeter protection should include silt sock with silt fence and a construction tracking pad.
- c. Roof leaders to discharge to the ground and runoff allowed to overland flow prior to discharge to the river.
- d. How will the driveway be extended to the garage? What material will be used? Driveway to be added to the plan.
- e. Contractor/applicant required to submit weekly erosion control inspections with photos to the town staff.
- f. Require Integrated Pest Management for care of landscaping.
- g. Pre-construction meeting and erosion control inspection required prior to the start of demolition / construction.
- h. Discuss the need for a property survey.
- i. Staff to review how landscape fabric is secured given its proximity to the river with the property owner.

Town of Farmington – Mountain Spring Road

Scott Zenke, Highway & Grounds Superintendent, stated for the record he has reviewed staff comments and has no issue addressing them.

Culvert crossing at 99 Mt. Spring Rd: Inlet and outlet repair, remove CMU block headwalls, extend inlet and outlet by one pipe length, flared end sections and rip rap to be placed at inlet and outlet. Existing 24-inch RCP to be replaced with 30-inch HDPE in parallel alignment. Existing 24-inch to be abandoned in place and filled with flowable fill. This location is shown as a wetland area on the GIS mapping and is a blue-line stream on the USGS map. A stone check dam will be used to divert the flow to the existing pipe while installing the new pipe. The pipe will be sized in accordance with the ACOE practices for new pipe culverts.

Culvert crossing at 125 / 130 Mt. Spring Rd: remove deteriorating CMU block headwall at outlet (west end), extend culvert one pipe length, and place stone rip rap around outlet. There are no wetlands shown on the town mapping at this location. There is no evidence of a blue line stream at this location on the USGS map.

Culvert crossing at 131 / 136 / 139 Mt. Spring Rd.: At outlet (west end) – remove CMU block headwall, extend culvert one pipe length and place rip rap to protect outlet. At inlet (east end) – clear inlet to allow for stormwater flow, place rip rap to protect inlet. There are no wetlands shown on the town mapping at this location. There is no evidence of a blue line stream at this location on the USGS map.

Culvert crossing at 164 / 181 Mt. Spring Rd.: At inlet and outlet – remove deteriorating CMU block headwalls, extend culvert by one pipe length at both inlet and outlet, and place rip rap to protect inlet and outlet. This culvert is located in a wetland area as shown on the town mapping. There is no evidence of a blue line stream at this location on the USGS map.

Culvert crossing at 181 / 210 Mt Spring Rd.: At inlet and outlet: remove deteriorated CMU block headwalls, extend 36-inch culvert one-pipe length at inlet and outlet, and place rip rap to protect inlet and outlet. This location is shown as a wetland area on the GIS mapping and is a blue-line stream on the USGS map.

The Commissioners felt the work proposed as presented was necessary repair/maintenance and will be an overall improvement to the culverts.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Wolf/Bryk)

VOTED: To make the determination that all five Town of Farmington applications (IW-2004 through IW-2008) for regulated activity within wetlands and upland review area for maintenance work at five existing culvert crossings along Mountain Spring Road are non-significant in nature and do not require a public hearing.

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

VOTED: To approve the Town of Farmington applications (IW-2004 through IW-2008) for regulated activity within wetlands and upland review area for maintenance work at five existing

culvert crossings along Mountain Spring Road as submitted and on file in the Planning Office with the condition that the Mr. Zenke or his designee work closely with Planning Staff throughout this project.

Abe Properties LLC – Lot 7 Peggy Lane

Regulated activity within upland review area to construct new house at Lot 7 Peggy Lane. Derek Clark, Clark Land Surveying, LLC, stated the property owner would like to construct a single-family house. George Logan was hired to investigate the site for wetlands; offsite wetlands were found on the adjacent property and the soil on Lot 7 were partially classified as urban filled. The wetland flags are shown on the survey/site plan approximately thirty feet into the adjacent site and fifty-nine feet from the closest corner of the proposed house. Mr. Clark reviewed the site plan in detail and stated no direct impact to the adjacent wetland is proposed as a result of this project. There was some discussion regarding vegetation removal, storm water runoff and public sewer/water. The site plan shows the location of a proposed well and the location of the sanitary sewer connection. The Commissioners asked for more information regarding the urban filled soil classification.

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

VOTED: To accept the Abe Properties LLC application for regulated activity within upland review area to construct new house at Lot 7 Peggy Lane.

The Commissioners agreed a site walk was not necessary for this application.

PLANNER'S REPORT

70 Batterson Park Road

Assistant Town Planner Rutherford informed the Commissioners that in addition to the solar array currently before the Commission, they are planning to install electric car charging stations in the existing parking area. This is outside the wetland upland review and will not be coming to the Commission.

MINUTES

Meeting Minutes

02-19-20

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

VOTED: To approve the February 19, 2020 Inland Wetlands meeting minutes.

03-01-20

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

VOTED: To approve the March 1, 2020 Inland Wetlands site walk minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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