INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION PLAINVILLE, CONNECTICUT MINUTES July 6, 2016

REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

MUNICIPAL CENTER ROOM 304

PRESENT: P. Kilby, R. Michalic, K. Anderson T. Kijanka

M. Goulet, S. McMahon

STAFF PRESENT: M. DeVoe

ABSENT: R. Ciotto, S. Emmendorfer (excused absences)

I. ROLL CALL

A motion was made by R. Michalic elevate the alternate.

The motion was seconded by: T. Kijanka

Vote: 5-0 in favor T. Kijanka abstains

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

- **IV. NEW APPLICATIONS**
 - 1. IW05/16#004 Tilcon, Inc. / Inlands Wetlands Permit
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>IW05/16#004 – Tilcon, Inc. / Inlands Wetlands Permit</u> – Patrick Benjamin from Bascom & Benjamin, the consulting Engineer for Tilcon was present along with Eric Davison, certified Soil Scientist and Frank Lane and Christopher Costello, both Tilcon employees. Mr. Benjamin gave the Commission an orientation to the site plan. A former non-conforming residential structure was demolished many years ago and the site has been vacant for quite a long time. The proposed activity consists of the construction of two soaking bays for lightweight aggregate used in concrete pumping operations where material weight is an issue. The aggregate is imported kiln dried limestone that is soaked to fill the porous material with water.

Excess moisture is drained off in a drying area, creating a hydraulically inert product that is then transported approximately 700 feet to be mixed in the main plant area. The impact to wetlands is the paving of approximately 0.2 acres of upland review area. The wetland in question is an intermittent watercourse that was placed in a swale pre-regulation to allow for the development of the former dwelling. The swale below the watercourse is not classified as an intermittent watercourse by definition and so is not a regulated area. The intermittent watercourse ends approximately 40 feet from the terminal end of the intermittent watercourse. The entire paved area will be graded towards the interior road and swale. The swales will require maintenance as will the catch basins.

Frank Lane for Tilcon indicated that the sumps in the catch basins are cleaned each one to one and one half months, far above average. Patrick Benjamin indicated that the swale would have to be manually cleaned every 10 to 20 years as the material they were importing was already cleaned.

The Commission asked additional questions about the activities taking place on the site and the applicant responded to their seeming satisfaction.

<u>A motion was made by</u>: P. Kilby and seconded by R. Michalik to make a determination that application IW 05/16#004 for an Inland Wetlands Permit for the construction of two below-grade, lightweight aggregate soaking bins, one above-grade draining bin, related storm water drainage system, and concrete turning area at 0 Woodford Avenue (MBL 34-A-02) does not pose a significant impact to wetlands and watercourses.

Discussion: The seven points of significance were discussed by the Commission and additional questions were asked of the applicant.

The vote was 6-0 in favor of no significance.

No public hearing is required by the Commission. M. DeVoe was asked if any special conditions might apply to any eventual approval. Mr. DeVoe indicated that he was satisfied that the routine cleaning of the catch basin sumps and the diversion of any excessive storm water runoff to the rip rap lined swales was satisfactory given the small size of this operation.

Chairperson Goulet explained to the applicant that a mandatory 15-day period to allow the public to petition for a public hearing must be provided in accordance with State Statutes and their regulations. The Commission will be making a decision at their August 3, 2016 regular meeting if no requests for a public hearing are received. The Chair also informed the applicant that if no public hearing is held, there is no need for them to attend the meeting in August; however, they may do so if they wish.

VII. BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

VIII. MINUTES

A motion was made by: R. Michalic to accept the May 4, 2016 minutes as written.

The motion was seconded by: T. Kijanka

Vote: 6-0 in favor

IX. REPORTS

The Town Planner reported on a recently withdrawn application as to reasons for withdrawal and also stated that the plan would eventually make its way back to the Commission.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by T. Kijanka to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm.

The motion was seconded by: P. Kilby

Vote: 6-0 in favor

Mark Delace

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark DeVoe

Recording Secretary