June 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the Bozrah Inland Wetlands Commission was called to order by Chairman Scott Taylor at 7:05 P.M. in the meeting room of the Bozrah Town Hall.

Regular members present: Scott Taylor, Evelyn Brown, Charlene Lathrop, and Chuck Mandel.

Regular members absent: Tom Main, Steve Brunetti, and James Sipperly

Alternate members present: Barbara McFadden, and Jessica Carson

Members from the public present: Sam Alexander, SCCOG/Town Planner, Art Goulart and Kevin Guinan.

Chairman S. Taylor seated J. Carson and B. McFadden as regular members.

1. Review and approve minutes:
   a. May 2nd Regular Meeting

   E. Brown made a motion to approve the May 2nd Regular Meeting minutes with correction noted.

   C. Mandel seconded the motion.

   VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

2. Hear the report of the Wetlands Enforcement Officer

   T. Webber provided a copy of his permit spread sheet to the commissioners and the open items were discussed.

3. Review correspondence pertaining to agenda items.

   No correspondence was received pertaining to agenda items.

4. New Business:
   a. Discussion regarding standard conditions and decision criteria on applications.
   b. Discussion of Commission’s role in conservation.
c. Follow-up regarding notices of violation.

S. Taylor began with item c. Follow-up regarding the two notices of violation as A. Goulart and Mr. Guinan were in attendance to discuss the issues.

A. Goulart responded a silt fence was in place along the brook as noted in the notice of violation. The area has been seeded and there is no evidence of erosion in the area that was excavated.

A. Goulart then discussed the second notice of violation; this property is owned by K. Guinan and is located on Route 163. A. Goulart has been contracted to excavate the area around the pond to provide better access. K. Guinan submitted an application to T. Webber just before tonight’s meeting to continue the cleanup and excavation around the pond and that application will be on the agenda for the July Regular Meeting. The maintenance and excavation work will cease until the commission makes a determination at the July Regular Meeting.

A. Mandel explained we need documentation, a plan for the work proposed, a drawing of the area and the erosion control measures to be put in place.

S. Taylor than moved on to item a. Discussion regarding Criteria and Standard Conditions for Inland Wetlands Applications.

The commission discussed the information provided and reviewed section 10 of our regulations. The commission will keep the Criteria and Standard Conditions for Inland Wetlands Applications for reference.

Section 4.1 As of Right Activities of our regulation for Timber Harvest was discussed and S. Alexander took the action to provide the commission with additional information, a plan of action and review of timber harvest applications.

Item b. Discussion of Commission’s role in conservation.
S. Alexander had The Open Space Plan for Bozrah dating back to 1961. The commission discussed the definition of open space, and national land permanently protected, open space funds and how we address open space.

S. Taylor took the action to find where the open space funds are located in the town budget.

S. Alexander recommended the commission undertake an open space inventory starting with Mineral Springs, and tapping into resources available.
5. Review general correspondence.

No correspondence was received.

6. Such other business as the commission may vote to hear.

No other business was brought before the commission

7. Public comment period.

E. Brown made a motion to adjourn

B. MacFayden seconded the motion

VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Charlene Lathrop
Recording Secretary Town of Bozrah