TOWN OF CROMWELL INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2019

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7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2019 ROOM 222 CROMWELL TOWN HALL 41 WEST STREET MINUTES AND RECORD OF VOTES

Present: Chairman Joseph Corlis, William Yeske, John Whitney, Wynn Muller, G. Alden Nettleton

Absent: Amanda Drew

Also Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper, Development Compliance Officer Bruce Driska, Town Engineer Jon Harriman, Town Council Liaison Richard Newton

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Corlis at 7 p.m.

2. Roll Call

The presence of the above members was noted.

3. Seating of Alternates: NONE

4. Approval of Agenda:

A motion to aprove the agenda was made by Wynn Muller; Seconded by John Whitney. *All in favor; motion passed.*

5. Approval of Minutes:

- a. December 5, 2018: A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Wynn Muller; Seconded by John Whitney. *All in favor; motion passed*.
- G. Alden Nettleton abstained.

6. Development Compliance Officer Report:

a. Status of On-going Projects and Existing Cease and Desist Orders

Mr. Driska's report was not included in the packet. He said that he was performing almost daily inspections at the County Line Drive project and there were no issues. He said that all stabilization and control measures were put in place prior to winter. Mr. Driska said he was also inspecting the TPC repair project down by the railroad tracks. He said there were no issues there and they had implemented all Best Management Practices at the site.

7. Town Planner Report:

Mr. Popper said that the Covenant Village project had not yet begun, but would likely start in the spring. He said that the Town was continuing to work on Cromwell Landing Park and will need to obtain permits to rebuild the stonewall from the land side as well as to construct the handicap accessible fishing pier. He said that ShopRite would be opening in May and Marshalls a week after. He mentioned that construction on the School of Massage would be starting soon and that there was still about 30,000 square feet of retail space remaining for lease.

8. Public Comments: There were no public comments at this time.

9. New Business:

a. Application #19-01: Request to conduct regulated activities (relocation of the transfer station) within the Upland Review Area at 100 County Line Drive. The Town of Cromwell is the Applicant and the Owner.

Jon Harriman, Town Engineer, addressed the Commission. He said that this was Phase One of a multi-phase project and this application concerned just the relocation of the transfer station to make room for the combined CWPCA/Public Works building. He began by reviewing the site location.

He said that the Town of Cromwell would be doing the majority of the work and that the transfer station was entirely mobile and would be dismantled and pushed about 350 feet east towards the property line. The layout would be consolidated as well, with all drop off areas accounted for, and he reviewed the proposed circulation to be followed upon entering the new transfer station site. He said that runoff would be reduced because of the reduction in impervious surface and stated that drainage would be handled via a series of catch basins and a swirl concentrator before discharging into the wetlands.

Mr. Harriman said that the wetlands were predominately to the east and the project impact would only be to the Upland Review Area. He said that the proposed activity in the Upland Review Area was 28,407 square feet, but that the additional impact was only 11,409 square feet as there was some overlap in land previously impacted. He said that the Upland Review Area followed the top of the slope and that all activity was staying on the plateau.

He said that some of the materials to be relocated, such as roadway materials, could be used as fill or relocated to a lower area. He said that they will install a silt fence, riprap level spreader and construction entrance as controls and that the site will remain an active transfer station during construction.

Mr. Harriman said that they are reducing the footprint of the station now and therefore reducing runoff, but that there will be an increase in overall runoff once the project is completed because of the construction of the building and the additional impervious

surface. He said that they will need to build a drainage basin to mitigate the impacts. He said he will return to the Commission in regards to later phases of the project.

Mr. Popper read the definition of "significant activity" and reminded the Commission that all activities would be impacting the Upland Review Area only.

Wynn Muller asked about how bulky waste storage, such as batteries, were protected from rain and runoff. Mr. Harriman said that everything was regulated, with certain materials in double containment tanks inside buildings. He said that all tanks would be covered in the future per regulation. Mr. Harriman said that almost all of the transfer station materials were recycled and that the materials were collected and stored until they could be disposed of in cost effective batches. He said that the transfer station is currently gated and would be gated in the future as well.

John Whitney made a motion to find that this application was not a significant activity; Seconded by Wynn Muller. *All were in favor; motion passed.*

John Whitney made a motion to approve Application #19-01: Request to conduct a regulated activity within the Upland Review Area at 100 County Line Drive; Seconded by Wynn Muller. *All were in favor; motion passed.*

10. Commissioners' Comments and Reports:

Chairman Corlis stated that he and G. Alden Nettleton attended a seminar on Land Use matters put on by the Connecticut Bar Association on Saturday, March 23, 2019. He said that he would pass around the seminar materials for the Commissioners to take turns reviewing.

11. Adjourn:

John Whitney made a motion to adjourn at 7:26 p.m.; Seconded by G. Alden Nettleton. *All in favor; motion passed.* Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie C. Petrella Recording Clerk