

**WINDHAM
INLAND WETLANDS &
WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
Minutes for Thursday, June, 13 2013**

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:07 P.M. Members present were Helmut Traichel, Joseph Marsalisi, and Joseph Wagner. Also present - Wetland Agent James Finger, Joseph Boucher, Towne Engineering, Paul Bonner of Hain Materials, and Mr. and Mr. MacBroom representing Milton C. Beebe & Sons . In the absence of Chair Susan Johnson, it was moved by Commissioner Marsalisi and Seconded by Commissioner Wagner to appoint Commissioner Traichel as acting Chairman, for this meeting.

Old Business

- 1. Hain Materials Corp – 298 Windham Center Rd., Windham Center** – Mr. Boucher - present on behalf of the applicants said that nothing has changed since the plan was presented at the last month's meeting, but gave a brief description of the site again. Commissioner Traichel made a motion to approve the revised plan as presented, and Commissioner Wagner seconded; all voted in favor to approve.

- 2. Horizons Inc. – 127 Babcock Hill Rd., South Windham**–Mr. Boucher from Towne Engineering presented the plan to demolish the existing Dining Hall and to construct a new Commons Building along with site improvements and storm water control features in upland review area. Mr. Boucher reported that the only change to the plans presented at the last meeting is - instead of highway-style guardrails along the embankment near the stormwater basin, the architect opted to have large boulders placed along the embankment abutting the storm drainage outlet. Commissioner Marsalisi reported that he made a visit to the site earlier in the day and reported it looked favorable to him. Mr. Finger who went along to the site visit said the only recommendation - which is noted on the plan - is to install silt fence or hay bales to protect the wetland area.

Mr. Finger referred to a report from Mr. Ianni - the soil scientist. Mr. Ianni indicated that he reviewed the plan and reported that the wetlands have been delineated correctly. Mr. Boucher added that the algae bloom discussed at the last meeting has been resolved. He said that Mr. Ianni agreed that this was not a result of nutrient loading from other areas of the site, but due to the droughty conditions before we got all the rain afterwards.

Mr. Finger mentioned his concern on the placement of the dumpsters. He said he spoke with the Chairman about this, and she mentioned the desirability of putting some crushed stone around the concrete pad so any drainage from leaking dumpsters might be filtered before reaching the wetland.

Mr. Boucher reported that Willimantic Waste has already replaced the dumpsters with ones that do not have holes in the bottom. Mr. Boucher also agreed that they would put the dumpsters on a concrete pad and it will have a gravel base.

Commission Wagner asked that hay bales be placed at the end of the drainage pipes in the plunge pool during the construction - and to have this added as part of the plan. Mr. Boucher agreed that this is a good idea and will make it part of the plan. Commissioner Traichel moved to approve the plan and Commissioner Wagner seconded the motion to approve the plan dated 6/6/13 revision Horizon with the condition of a hay bale at the rip-rap plunge pool; all voted in favor.

New Business

Milton C. Beebe & Sons, Inc. – 179 Tuckie Rd., North Windham – This is an application for Wetland Permit to remove silt accumulation from bottom of pond. The property neighbors the Town's new magnet school site and suffered an accumulation of silt in the pond during a rainstorm. Mr. MacBroom representing Milton C. Beebe & Sons, as a licensed civil engineer, appeared before the commission to present the project. There was discussion of the site and the project, and that the work is expected to begin in the dry season of sometime between July to September, and would take approximately one week to complete. The Commission took receipt of the application for possible action at the next meeting in July.

Adjournment–Commissioner Traichel made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Wagner seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:36 PM

Respectfully submitted by Janet Laukaitis for
James Finger - Inland Wetland Agent