

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
Conservation Commission  
600 Main Street  
P. O. Box 308  
Somers, Connecticut 06071**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, October 21, 2009  
7:30 p.m.  
Town Hall Conference Room**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Acting Chairman Todd Whitford called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.  
Members present were: Todd Whitford, Dan Fraro, Henry Broer, Alternate Karl Walton who was seated for Candace Aleks and Alternate Lise Wood (7:45).

**II. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **Discussion/Decision #617: Clean out stream, 421 Hall Hill Rd.  
Somers, Jekot**
- b. **Discussion/Decision #618: Clean out stream, 415/421 Hall Hill Rd.  
Town of Somers**

This is a combined application from the Town of Somers Public Works Department. The project involves removing accumulated sediment from an intermittent stream that receives storm drainage from several roads. At the last meeting Mr. Askew commented that the stream has limited aquatic habitat value due to sediment impacts. The stream is not known to support fish.

Karl Walton made a motion to approve Wetlands Applications #617 and #618 with the condition that Public Works limit the project to the centerline of the swale and avoid removing any vegetation from areas along the stream. Also, a small tracked excavator will be used and spoils will be taken off-site. Dan Fraro seconded this motion which was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Karl Walton made a motion that the application fee be waived for #618, as the permit fee has been paid for Wetland Application #617 and the work encompasses both permits. This motion was seconded by Henry Broer and unanimously approved by the Commission.

**c. Discussion/Decision #619: One-lot resubdivision and driveway within wetland, 700 Hall Hill Road, Somers, Blake**

This project has been completed and the wetland area was delineated on the plan presented by Engineer Nat Sreenath at the last meeting. Mr. Askew commented at the last meeting that the wetland in question is a low value wetland at the top of the watershed. It does not support hydrophytic vegetation and its primary function is to collect drainage from the road and surrounding area. Existing drainage patterns will not be altered.

Karl Walton made a motion to approve Wetlands Application #619 with no conditions. This motion was seconded by Dan Fraro and unanimously approved by the Commission.

**III. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Karl Walton, seconded by Dan Fraro and unanimously approved by the Commission. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Aleks, Secretary

Connie Carenzo, Recording Secretary

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