Town of Barkhamsted
Low Impact Development
Land Use Committee
May 19, 2010
7:00 PM Town Hall

Minutes

Attendees:
Michael Beauchene, Roger Behrens, John Greaser, Scott Johnstone, Chris Lavieri, Tom
Nelson, Johnny Polderman, Mario Santoro, and Don Stein.

Michael Klemens (consultant) and Deborah Simon were absent.

Also present were Khea Cook, Sharon Lynes and Tim Grohowski.

Discussion:
The committee reviewed and accepted the minutes of the March 30th meeting. No
changes were recommended.

Dr. Klemens submitted a brief report on the status of the biodiversity survey via an e-
mail (attached).

Relative to the newsletter, Don Stein (project and biodiversity survey status) and Mike
Beauchene (DEP permitting process for stormwater management) will present a draft at
the next meeting. Mike Beauchene will also provide Don Stein with the survey results to
be placed on the town website.

The proposed changes to the Wetlands regulations were discussed. These changes were
relatively minimal and focused on bringing the regs into full compliance with the state
statutes. A motion to refer these changes (attached) to the Inland Wetlands Commission
for incorporation into the town's regulations was made by Scott Johnstone and seconded
by Christine Lavieri, and passed unanimously.

The committee discussed the proposed changes to the Zoning regulations with the
assistance of Marty Connor. The members were requested to review and comment on
the regulations and provide them to Don Stein prior to the next meeting. In addition,
references to the road ordinances were referred to Tom Grimaldi for comment and the
committee members will receive copies of the current zoning, wetlands and subdivision
regulations, as well as a copy of the 2003 LHCEO parking study.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM

The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 21st at 7:00 PM in Town Hall. Discussion of the proposed subdivision regulation and driveway/road ordinances will be the primary focus of that meeting. Tom Grimaldi and Marty Connor will be in attendance to discuss the regulations.

Don Stein

From:	Michael Klemens [klemensm@caryinstitute.org]
Sent:	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 6:14 PM
To:	Don Stein
Cc:	Eric Davison
Subject:	RE: Agenda for Next Wednesday

Don: We have visited ca. 20 sites so far and documented ca. 15 vernal pools, and a number of headwater seepage areas.

Two locations for the state-listed Jefferson salamander have been documented. These are the first records from the town of Barkhamsted. Numerous locations for more common vernal pool species--wood frog and spotted salamander..including the Stein driveway.

We have found numerous location for the dusky salamander, an indicator of high quality seepage wetlands. A very unsual color form, a yellow albnio (xanthic), was found in the southwestern section of town.

Cool weather has depressed turtle activity. A suspected wood turtle in Pleasant Valley turned out to be a released non-native turtle. We have mapped a historical report of wood turtle (also state-listed) from the Riverton area.

We are still in the early stages of our work.

I apologize for the very brief nature of the report.

Michael

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Memorandum

To:	Barkhamsted Low Impact Development Committee
From:	Martin J. Connor, AICP
Date:	May 17, 2010
Re:	Barkhamsted Low Impact Development Recommendations for Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations

I have reviewed the "*Town of Barkhamsted Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations*" with a goal of incorporating best management practices relating to Low Impact Development into the Regulations. I have the following recommendations.

Add the definition of Low Impact Development to Section 2.1:

"Low Impact Development (LID)" means a site design strategy intended to maintain or replicate predevelopment hydrology through the use of small-scale controls integrated throughout the site to manage runoff as close to its source as possible.

Add to existing Section 7.5(f) language underlined, "Alternatives, Low Impact Development (LID) practices, which would cause less or no environmental impact…"

Add to 7.5(l), language underlined, "Any other information the Agency deems necessary to the understanding of what the applicant is proposing, including proposed Low Impact Development LID)(practices; and…"

Add to 7.6(g), language underlined, "Management practices and other measures, including Low Impact Development (LID) practices, designed to mitigate the impact of the proposed activity…"

To comply with Public Act 09-181

Under Section 7: Application Requirements:

Add to Section 7.10 language underlined: Any application to renew a permit shall be granted upon request of the permit holder unless the Agency finds that there has been a substantial change in circumstances which requires a new permit application or an enforcement action has been undertaken with regard to the regulated activity for which the permit was issued provided a) no permit issued during the time period from July 1, 2006, to July 1, 2009, inclusive, shall be valid for more than eleven years; and b) no

permit issued prior to July 1, 2006, or after July 1, 2009 may be valid for more than ten years.

Under Section 11: Decision Process and Permit:

Add to Section 11.6 the language underlined: Any permit issued by the Agency prior to July 1, 2006, or after July 1, 2009 for the development of land for which an approval is required under section 8-3, 8-25 or 8-26 of the Connecticut General Statutes shall be valid for five years provided the Agency may establish a specific time period within which any regulated activity may be conducted. Any permit issued by the Agency prior to July 1, 2006, or after July 1, 2009 for any other activity shall be valid for not less than two years and not more than five years. Any permit issued by the Agency during the time period from July 1, 2006, to July 1, 2009, inclusive, shall expire not less than six years after the date of such approval.