



## Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission

Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 PM

This meeting was held remotely, via ZOOM:

#### **CALL TO ORDER: 7:01**

**ROLL CALL:** Chairman P. Bassermann, Commissioners M. Ormrod, C. Begemann, M. Papantones, S. Botta Also present: IW Agent J. Frederick, IW Associate K. Blanchette

#### **1) MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**

- a) March 9, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes-tabled for minor changes to minutes

#### **2) APPLICATIONS FOR RECEIPT:**

- a) IW#23.03.04 | 34 Oak Hollow Rd | detached garage 24'x30'-IW Agent J. Frederick presented the proposed plans to the commission. Commission questioned the location of the drainage pipe, specifically where the outlet was, and requested more information on whether perc tests were done to see if water would infiltrate or there was an alternative plan they had considered.
- b) IW#23.03.05 | 122 Flat Rock Rd | pool
  - i) Will be agent review
- c) IW#23.04.02 | 91 Stannard Ave | deck addition
  - i) Will be agent review
- d) IW#23.04.03 | 35-37 Harrison Ave | proposed construction of new two unit residential building-Chuck Mandel was present for the applicant. New building will be slab on grade. Planning on keeping the pine tree rather than cutting it down. Could be an agent approval unless upon review something more substantial comes up.
- e) IW#23.04.04 | 117 Flax Mill Rd | inground swimming pool & patio- (tabled and discussed after CC#13.11.01) commission determined that the prior wetland delineation (from 2004) be indicated on the site plan for reference, as well as location of stock pile, add in line for 100' upland review area, and get confirmation on the type of filter being used for the pool. Site walk set for April 25, 2023 at 5 pm.

#### **3) ENFORCEMENT:**

- a) CC#13.11.01 | 117 Flax Mill Rd | filling-Commission discussed alternatives other than to remove the fill from the slope such as enhancing the wetlands already present with plantings in addition to plantings along the top of slope. Plan should be shown spatially on site plan, include plantings and erosion controls as necessary. Request that the soil scientist attend the meeting on May 11.
- b) CC#22.06.01 & 2<sup>nd</sup> NOV | 20 Huntington Drive | removal of trees and placement of debris- IW Agent J. Frederick indicated that she has not heard back from the property owner. Will contact him again to let him know that the plantings must be in by the May 31<sup>st</sup> deadline.

- c) CC#22.12.01 | 21 Brainerd Road | Construction without permits
  - i) just cause hearing – continued from 12/8/22-IW Agent J. Frederick indicated that they had retained a surveyor and soil scientist however the plans are not yet complete. Should have at least the wetland report by the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- d) Notice of Non-compliance RE IW#20.03.01 | 58 East Industrial Rd | contractor’s yard-IW Agent stated the property owner needs to come in with a revised plan.

4) **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- a) IW#19.11.01 | 1151 West Main | construction of bank and grocery store – Commission reviewed the most recent wetland mitigation report and questioned why part of the wetland mitigation area is not functioning as a wetland. Would like to see elevations of creation area. All Habitats doing a plan for invasive control. Should be ready by May 11 meeting. Commissioner Botta made a motion that \$20,181.24 of the bond be returned. Half the refund will be surety, the other half cash. Commissioner Begemann seconded. Roll Call:

M. Ormrod-aye  
 C. Begemann-aye  
 S. Botta-aye  
 M. Pappantones-aye  
 P. Bassermann-aye  
 Motion carries unanimously.

- b) IW#21.08.02 | 61 & 65-99 Burbank Drive | conversion of existing building to age-restricted multi-family residential development

- i) Requesting a permit modification to replace part of a pipe that is required to be replaced by the WPCA. The pipe has degraded and needs to be replaced with something else to ensure there is no sewage leakage from the old pipe. Chairman P. Bassermann made a motion to approve. Commissioner M. Pappantones seconded. Chairman P. Bassermann made an amendment to the motion to add the following conditions as recommended by IW Agent J. Frederick: Wetland vegetation should be replaced in kind, any changes to the plantings must be reviewed by the Duly Authorized Agent, care should be taken to minimize the wetland disturbance, and a paper copy of the revised plan be submitted to the office to be placed in the file. Commissioner M. Pappantones seconded the amendment. Roll Call:

M. Ormrod-aye  
 C. Begemann-aye  
 S. Botta-aye  
 M. Pappantones-aye  
 P. Bassermann-aye  
 Motion carried unanimously

- c) IW#20.07.01 | 434 East Main St | 25,000 SF office building

- i) Bond reduction request Commission briefly reviewed materials available. Discussed it is not common practice for bond to be reduced in this scenario. A formal site plan by the project engineer phasing the project and providing quantified itemization of the portion of the bond to be reduced would need to be submitted for any further consideration prior to all site work being completed.

5) **AGENT APPROVALS:**

- a) IW#23.03.01 | 56 Stony Creek Rd | rebuild existing barn with 160sf addition
- b) IW#23.03.03 | 159 Cherry Hill Rd | shed (12'x16')
- c) IW#23.03.06 | 290 Pine Orchard Rd | install metal roof canopy by pool
- d) IW#23.03.07 | 60 Riverside Dr | shed (10'x16')
- e) IW#23.04.01 | 14 Tanglewood Dr | drainage modification

**6) CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Comm. Botta motioned to adjourn, Comm. Begemann seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:09p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katy Blanchette  
IW Associate