

# Town of Thompson Inland Wetlands Commission

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MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018 7:00 PM
MERRILL SENEY COMMUNITY ROOM - TOWN HALL

A) Call to Order & Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jarrett Thomas at 7:07 PM.

Roll Call: Commissioner & Chair Jarrett Thomas, Commissioner & Vice Chair Fran Morano, Commissioner Charles Obert, Commissioner Diane Chapin, Commissioner Victoria Szamocki, Commissioner Jasmin Berti, Wetlands Agent Marla Butts and Recording Secretary Diane Minarik.

**Absent: None** 

**Others Present: None** 

- B) Action on Minutes of Previous Meetings: Copies of the minutes listed below were available for review. Chair Thomas asked if there were any corrections and being none:
  - a) Minutes of the 12/12/17 regular meeting was accepted as written.
  - b) Minutes of the 1/18/18 special meeting was accepted as written.
- C) Citizen's Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items: None
- D) Applications:
  - a) Old Applications: None
  - b) New Applications:
    - 1) WAA18003 David Coman, 0 Hagstrom Rd, Assessor's Map 19, Block 85, Lot 6A, Gravel mine in upland review area, received by Wetlands Office 1/16/18, Ms. Butts explained this was previously approved in Oct. 2006 as a 3 phase gravel mining project, the work in wetlands was previously completed under the old permit however the grading activity in the upland review area for phase 1 & 2 was started but not completed, the stone dike has been installed, he needs a new approval to complete work in upland review area for his permit renewal from Planning and Zoning Commission, the farm roads Mr. Coman will be using crosses another person property so Ms. Butts is waiting for an original release signed from the land owner before issuing approval.
  - c) Applications Received After Agenda was Published: None
- E) Permit Extensions / Changes: None
- F) Active Violations & Pending Enforcement Actions:
  - a) IWA14019 Norman Rudzinski, 0 Labby Road, Assessor's Map 95, Block 27, Lot 17, excavating/gravel mining in upland review area, submitted on 8/8/14, receipt date 8/12/14, inspection in June 2017 found inadequate sediment controls and grading activity in the upland review area beyond what is shown on the approved plan, Ms. Butts still has no access to do inspection, a new public works director will be starting soon so she will ask him.
  - b) VIOL17017 Linden O'Leary, President of Quaddick Mountain Resorts Inc., Assessor's Map 143, Block 16, Lots 17, 17AK, 17AL, 17AM & 17AN, violation issued 5/8/17 permit needs to be pulled for work in the upland review area next to Quaddick Reservoir, the second 90-day

- extension expired 11/21/17, a reminder letter was to be mailed stating the Commission will be pursuing further action if no response by 1/9/18, Ms. Butts hasn't had time to draft letter yet, she spoke to him on the phone and stated he needs to submit surveyed plans, she will conduct a site inspection.
- c) Complaint 16-04 Urgel & Fahey Lapierre, 0 & 533 Brandy Hill Rd, Assessor's Map 143, Block 17, Lot 7 & 7-7, drainage problems related to activities at 533 Brandy Hill Rd, they needed to restore the open swell by 12/3/17, Ms. Butts said she hasn't been out to inspect yet because of the snowy weather.

#### G) Other Business:

a) Review FY18-19 Budget Proposal, Ms. Butts explained the process of the budget proposal for the new Commissioner and suggested they keep the same budget amounts as last year. The Commission gave Ms. Butts approval to present their FY18-19 budget to the Board of Selectmen with the same dollar amounts as last years budget, except for salaries. ECCD asked the Commission to include them in our budgeting process which they already are.

#### H) Reports:

- a) Budget & Expenditures: Wetlands Budget for Fiscal Year 2017–2018 (Results of Fiscal Reporting 7/1/17 1/31/18) Commissioner Obert stated that the Commission has used 53.4% overall of its budget.
- b) Wetlands Agent Report: Jan & Feb.

### Updates:

- Status of Court Appeal on Application IWA15029, River Junction Estates, LLC Scheduled court trial date has been delayed to start 2/15/18.
- New Public Works Director Richard Benoit has been hired and will start shortly.
- MS4 Annual Report & Follow Up Actions Ms. Butts spent many hours in the past
  month will the Selectman's Office drafting the Town's first annual report under the new
  MS4 permit. A draft of the report is posted for comment on the town's website.
- Approval of Records Disposal Request Submitted to CT State Library Ms. Butts received approval on 2/5/18 and will focus on the pre-1990permit/application files.
- **Pre-1990 File Destruction Plan** All of the files have been cataloged and details documented in an excel spreadsheet. Ms. Butts will destroy file documents except for any final decision/permit document which will be placed sequentially in a 3-ring binder, and any drawings containing delineations by a qualified soil scientist which have not been recorded on land records will be transferred to the Building Office.

#### Inspections/Follow-Up Actions:

- **IWA17001-** Madison Avenue Investments, LLC. On 2/5/18 Ms. Butts inspected portions received information that the eastern portions of Madison Avenue has been paved but the western portion that approaches Thompson Road is still being excavated. Some of the asphalt batch plants are already closed for the winter, she will be in contact with Mr. Meehan for a follow-up inspection and to advise him regarding erosion and sediment controls he needs to put in place for winter shutdown which will depend upon site conditions.
- 316 County Home Rd John Carpenter property –Ms. Butts received information that runoff containing sediment was leaving the site and entering the wetlands at the Thompson Rd. 30 inch RCP on 1/12/18 & 1/23/18. She inspected the site on 2/5/18 and found a significant amount of sediment had been deposited in the wetlands on the West side of Thompson Rd on Mr. Duquette's property which is causing the water flows to be diverted in part northward into the wetlands carrying fine sediment. Even though a portion of Madison Ave has been paved, shoulder runoff was being allowed to bypass the catch basins, that drain into lot 18, and travel down to Thompson Rd because road

cut embankments were not stabilized and are actively eroding. At intersection of Madison Ave & Thompson Rd there were no longer any settling facilities to trap sediment on-site or prevent from washing into the storm drain system or discharging onto Thompson Rd. Ms. Butts contacted Mr. Meehan who will visit the site, address the situation and will get back to her. She also contacted DOT regarding drainage concerns along Rte. 193 and they are looking into it. Ms. Butts hasn't heard back from Mr. Meehan so she drafted and read a Notice of Violation of Permit IWA17001 for the Commissions consideration. Chairman Thomas signed this NOV.

## Wetlands Agent Approvals:

WAA18002 issued 1/16/18.

<u>Building Permits Reviewed:</u> There were 2 building permit reviewed – (1) 490 Quaddick Town Farm Rd, (2) 27 Lenbob Ave.

### Miscellaneous:

 CT Association of Wetlands Scientists (CAWS) 2018 Annual Meeting and Environmental Conference is on Thursday 3/8/18 in Meriden. Presentation to include wetland restoration of 11.5 acres in Eastern CT, engineering & design features of a DOT culvert slip-lining project to facilitate trout passage, evolving research on stormwater management, Stratford reef ball for coastal resiliency.

<u>Purchase Requisitions Status:</u> Paid \$1,000.00 ECCD and Encumbered \$70.00 for Stonebridge Press for legal notices.

- I) Correspondence:
  - a) Memo from M. Chinatti inviting IWC to a "CFPZA Roles and Responsibilities" workshop on 2/26/18 at the end of their regular meeting, estimate start time 7:30pm.
  - b) Connecticut Wildlife, Nov/Dec 2017
  - c) 2018 Meeting Schedules
- J) Signing of Mylars: None
- K) Comments by Commissioners: None
- L) Adjournment: Chair Thomas called to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Morano. Seconded by Commissioner Obert. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Minarik

Recording Secretary
02-13-18 Minutes IWC Regular Meeting