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MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 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 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Commissioner & Chair Jarrett Thomas, Commissioner & Vice Chair Fran Morano, Commissioners Charles Obert, Commissioner Victoria Szamocki, Commissioner George O'Neil, Wetlands Agent Marla Butts and Recording Secretary Diane Minarik.

Absent: Commissioner Diane Chapin

Others Present: None

B) Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting: 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 8/14/18 regular meeting was accepted as written.**

C) Citizen's Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items: None

D) Applications:

a) Old Applications:

1) **WAA18015** Michael Ryley, 461 East Thompson Rd, construction of a 26' X 34' in-law apartment addition and a 10' X 24' carport in the upland review area, stamped received 7/3/18, on hold still awaiting NDDH approval, Ms. Butts will check on status.

b) New Applications:

1) **WAA18022** Shawn Deary, 1 Totem Pole Rd, Assessor's Map 141, Block 17, Lot 50, replacing/upgrading septic system, addition of a garage and second floor to existing house, grading and a new retaining wall within the 100-foot upland review area, stamped received by Town Clerk 8/21/18, Ms. Butts explained the project, permit issued & legal notice published 9/7/18, appeal period ends 9/22/18,.

c) Applications Received After Agenda was Published:

1) **WAA18023** Seth Davis 105 & 115 Quaddick Town Farm Rd, Map 154, Block 5, Lots 1 & 2, construct single family home with detached workshop with driveway, new well and septic system in the upland review area for the Five Mile River, received 8/29/18, approved 8/31/18, Legal notice to be published 9/7/18, appeal period ends 9/21/18.

E) Permit Extensions / Changes: None

F) Active Violations & Pending Enforcement Actions:

a) **VIOL17017** Linden O'Leary, President of Quaddick Mountain Resorts Inc., Assessor's Map 143, Block 16, Lots 17, 17AK, 17AL, 17AM & 17AN, violation issued on 5/8/17, the second 90-day extension expired 11/21/17, DEEP can't approve septic system until they receive plans; Norman Thibeault, Killingly Engineering Assoc., has been very busy so no plans yet and said Terry Chappell told him the banks are stable and everything is good; Ms. Butts told him things not good, the retaining walls are greater than 6' and will need to be certified by a licensed engineer that they will remain stable and that there are pipes in the ground discharging behind red shed by lake but no idea where they are coming from; no Wetlands Agent Approval until approved septic system; they are moving forward; no known

environmental problems yet; Ms. Butts will reach out to Mr. Thibeault for their timetable and for the them to attend next meeting.

- b) **VIOL17036** (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, open swell to be restored by 12/3/17, letter sent on 6/11/18 to remove material for water to flow without obstruction; today Ms. Butts found a change in conditions from last month and since no NOV was previously sent she sent a more formal NOV letter dated today, 9/11/18, explaining details of previous correspondence and to avoid further enforcement action remove debris in drainage way by 10/8/18.
- c) **VIOL18008** Stephanie Simas & Wayne Witherell, 291 Buckley Hill Rd, Assessor's Map 83, Block 49, Lot 7G, placing various materials and structures in wetlands and grading in upland review area without authorization, NOV issued 5/21/18, they must submit plans before 9/10/18 (90 days); Ms. Butts read the email she received on 9/5/18 from Daniel Blanchette of J&D Engineers requesting a 30-day extension from 9/10/18 to 10/8/18 for submittal of application and plans and the reasons why they won't be ready by 9/10/18; the Commission agreed to the 30-day extension.
- d) **2nd NOV on permit IWA17001** Madison Avenue Investments, LLC. 0 Madison Ave and Thompson Rd (a.k.a. Route 193), Assessor's Map 103, Block 31, Lot 6R, failure to install and maintain adequate erosion and sediment controls, 2nd notice of violation sent 7/31/18, 14 year old project, Town has no bond on project; Ms. Butts explained the photos taken today and the progress completed; she will contact Norman Thibeault, Killingly Engineering Assoc., for a timeline on the road completion, to have them fix the silt sack in the catch basin and to have them seed and mulch whatever they have ready; she will check to see if DOT will send their Vac Truck out again.

G) Other Business:

- a) FYI: Thompson Community Day on Saturday 10/6/18 noon – 4pm at Riverside Park.

H) Reports:

- a) Budget & Expenditures: Wetlands Budget for Fiscal Year 2017–2018 (Results of Fiscal Reporting 7/1/18 – 8/31/18) – None

- b) Wetlands Agent Report: August

Updates:

- Status of Court Appeal on Application IWA15029, River Junction Estates, LLC – the parties granted the Judge 30 extra days to render a decision, now due 9/28/18.
- LeClair Road Emergency Bridgework – Ms. Butts inspected the site and took photos today, project almost completed, showed photos and explained the work completed, expects to have an after-the-fact permit application for next meeting.
- MS4 Annual Report & Follow Up Actions– Ms. Butts hasn't made any progress in reviewing the written IDDE program.
- Pre-1990 File Destruction Plan – There has been no progress since her last report.

Inspections/Follow-Up Actions:

- **Complaint #18-05, Whitmans Pond Dam Beaver Dam Removal** - Ms. Butts received a vm from Tim Rice of 388 Quaddick Town Farm Rd, in early August regarding the on-going problem of his dams potential overtopping when a beaver dam is removed at Whitman's Pond Dam. Mr. Rice called because he was not notified in advance of a removal of beaver debris. Ms. Butts spoke to both Mr. Rice and Mr. Swearer regarding this issue and Mr. Swearer has decided to remove whatever beaver debris is in the Whitman's Pond Dam spillway every Friday. Ms. Butts advised Mr. Rice of this and that since the Whitman's Pond Dam spillway was modified and repaired in 2016 she is concerned his spillway is inadequate to handle some storm flows and should have a good emergency spillway and if he wants to modify his dam he needs to meet with her first.

- VIOL18017, Scott Josey, 637 East Thompson Rd. – Ms. Butts sent a letter thanking Scott for his cooperation, advising him that the violation file had been closed and in the future contact the Wetlands Office before doing any grading or construction work within 100 feet of any wetland or watercourse.

Building Permits Reviewed: There were 7 building permits reviewed – (1) 542 Riverside Dr. (2) 29 Cortiss Rd. (3) 959 Quaddick Town Farm Rd (4) 33 Blackmer Downs Rd. (5) 105 Quaddick Town Farm Rd (6) 386 Quinebaug Rd (7) Elmwood Hill Rd.

Miscellaneous:

- WAA18005, 655 Riverside Drive gravel mine – Ms. Butts was asked to review a building permit application for a temporary office trailer and truck weigh scale at this location, which has been sold to Northeast Sand and Gravel Inc. without her knowledge. Since the new owner is unable to get a signature for transfer of the wetlands agent approval, they will be submitting a new application to cover all activities. She plans on approving the application once it is received.

Purchase Requisitions Status: Paid \$117.60 to and Encumbered \$60.00 for Stonebridge Press for legal notices & Paid \$60.00 to CACIWC for Annual membership.

- I) Correspondence: None
- J) Signing of Mylars: None
- K) Comments by Commissioners:
 - Discussion on the town's regulations pertaining to permits for trucks hauling gravel on its roads from permitted gravel operations in town.
- L) Adjournment: **Chair Jarrett Thomas called to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM.**

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

Respectfully Submitted,



Recording Secretary
09-11-18 Minutes IWC Regular Meeting