

Town of Thompson Inland Wetlands Commission

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

A) Call to Order & Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Fran Morano at 7:02 PM.

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

Absent: Commissioner & Chair Jarrett Thomas and Commissioner Diane Chapin Others Present: David Held of Provost & Rovero, Daniel Blanchette J&D Civil Engineers, Allen Rawson and Thompson ZEO, Cindy Dunne.

- 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 10/9/18 regular meeting was accepted as written.
- C) Citizen's Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items: None
- D) Applications:
 - a) Old Applications:
 - 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, Ms. Butts gave an update, started building without NDDH approval.
 - 2) IWA18026 Town of Thompson Public Works Department, LeClair Road Blackmore Brook bridge, Assessor's Map 162, Block 11, Lot N/A, after the fact application for emergency repair to Blackmore Brook bridge, stamped received 9/18/18, statutory receipt date 10/9/18; Ms. Butts gave an update and showed pictures taken.

Motion to approve IWA18026 as read was made by Commissioner Obert. Seconded by Commissioner Szamocki. Motion passed unanimously.

- 3) IWA18027 Strategic Commercial Realty Inc., 0 Quaddick Town Farm Road, Assessor's Map 145, Block 14, Lot 14, excavation of sand and gravel to create a 6+/- acre pond, a portion of which is located within the upland review area, received by Town Clerk's Office on 10/3/18, statutory receipt date is 10/9/18; the Commission did a site walk on 11/11/18; David Held of Provost & Rovero was present to address previous questions and concerns; fed by groundwater; start in spring, estimated completion in 1 year; revised plans to be submitted in PDF.
- b) New Applications:
 - 1) WAA18028 Craig Gardner, 390 Riverside Dr. Assessor's Map 85, Block 95, Lot 33A, construct a 20' x 30' open carport/storage shelter on 12 sonotubes in the upland review area for the French River, stamped received 10/11/18, issued 10/11/18, legal notice published 10/19/18, appeal period ended 11/2/18, Ms. Butts explained the project.
 - 2) WAA18029 Shawn Brissette, 26 Totem Pole Rd, Assessor's Map 141, Block 17, Lot 68, construction of (1) a 10' x 12' addition with excavated foundation and (2) a 12' x 27' three-season room on an existing concrete slab to the existing home, stamped received 10/15/18, approval issued 10/16/18, legal notice published 10/26/18, appeal period ended 11/9/18; Ms. Butts explained the project.

- 3) WAA18030 Valley Springs Sportsmen's Club, Inc., 65 Valley Rd, Assessor's Map 81, Block 48, Lot 10, removal of trees, placement of fill and grading for a 14' gazebo in the 100' upland review area, stamped received 10/15/18, approval issued 10/16/18, legal notice published 10/26/18, appeal period ended 11/9/18; Ms. Butts explained the project.
- 4) WAA18031 Krzysztof and Katarzyna Chojnicki, 56 Tuft Hill Rd, Assessor's Map 36, Block 71, Lot 9AA, grading in 100' upland review area for construction of new single family home, received by Town Clerk's Office on 10/3/18, stamped received 10/29/18, issued 10/29/18, legal notice published 11/9/18, appeal period ends 11/23/18, Ms. Butts explained the project.
- 5) **IWA18032** Krzysztof and Katarzyna Chojnicki, 49 Quaddick Town Farm Rd, Assessor's Map 154, Block 5, Lot 6, fill in wetlands for septic system repair, grading in the upland review area associated with the reconstruction of a single family home, also located in the upland review area, stamped received 10/29/18, statutory receipt date is 11/13/18, Ms. Butts explained the project, wetlands flagged, needs NDDH approval.
- 6) SUB18033 Conner Land Trust LLC, 223 Stawicki Rd, Assessor's Map 97, Block 43, Lot 1, 3-lot subdivision for conceptual approval, stamped received 10/30/18, Daniel Blanchette J&D Civil Engineers was present to answer questions, plans submitted to NDDH.
- c) Applications Received After Agenda was Published:
 - 1) IWA18034 Wayne Witherell, 291 Buckley Hill Rd, Assessor's Map 83, Block 79, Lot 7G, construct driveway across wetland for new single family home, well & septic system located in 100 foot upland review area, received by Wetlands Office 11/13/18, Ms. Butts just received application today, no time to review it.
- 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, Ms. Butts gave an update, still waiting on septic system approval from DEEP and plans from Killingly Engineering Assoc.
 - 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, sent NOV letter dated 9/11/18, remove material for water to flow without obstruction and to avoid further enforcement action remove debris in drainage way by 10/8/18, Ms. Butts gave an update, some work has been done but not complete.
 - 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, must submit plans by 9/10/18 (90 days), received application and plans from J&D Engineers today 11/13/18, violation remains open with IWA18034.
 - 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, Ms. Butts gave an update and showed photos, some work has been completed, sediment controls failing, shoulders not stabilized, Lot 18 issues, concerns sent to ZEO for PZC.
- G) Other Business:
 - a) DEC17013, Fort Hill Farms, LLC, 0 O'Leary Rd & 260 Quaddick Rd, Assessor's Map 124, Block 32, Lot 20 & 27, review of detailed plans for confirming use permitted as of right for farming/agriculture pursuant to 4/11/17 approval, Ms. Butts gave an update and will let applicant know these are acceptable under original approval.

- b) Approval of 2019 IWC Site Walk and Meeting dates.
- H) Reports:
 - a) Budget & Expenditures: Wetlands Budget for Fiscal Year 2017–2018 (Results of Fiscal Reporting 7/1/18 10/25/18) 25.5% used
 - b) Wetlands Agent Report: August Updates:
 - Status of Court Appeal on Application IWA15029, River Junction Estates, LLC the parties granted the Judge a third 30-day extension to render a decision, now due 11/27/18.
 - MS4 Annual Report & Follow Up Actions

 Ms. Butts will meet with Kelly Genest next
 Monday to begin working on the annual report for 2018.
 - Pre-1990 File Destruction Plan Still no progress since her last report.

Inspections/Follow-Up Actions:

- Complaint #18-06, 60 Mountain Hill Rd. & 8 Morin Road on 10/12/18 Ms. Butts received a complaint of basement flooding problems from Georgette Couture, owner of 60 Mountain Hill Rd. Ms. Butts and DPW Director Richard Benoit inspected the town owned drainage system that comes from Mountain Hill road through the rear yard of 60 Mountain Hill Rd. and into the rear yard of 8 Morin Rd. The outfall of the storm drainage system at 8 Morin Rd. was partially blocked and submerged due to what appeared to be the accumulation of sediment leading from the outfall. The DPW director was willing to remove accumulated sediment by hand for a positive flow path but needs the area to dry out to avoid excessive rutting.
- Inquiry of Scott Kramer, 12 Mary Road On 10/11/18 Ms. Butts drove by 12 Mary Rd. to determine if a low area that reportedly pools with water after storm events would require a wetlands approval to fill in and raise the grade so water no longer pools. She found no mapping of wetlands, any evidence of swamp marsh or bog vegetation or any evidence that water pooling was persistent much past the storm incident. A pond and its associated wetlands were more than 100 feet away from the area of concern. She advised Mr. Cramer no wetlands permit would be necessary to raise the grade of his yard.

Building Permits Reviewed: There were 5 building permits reviewed (1) 546 East Thompson Rd (2) 390 Riverside Dr (3) 26 Totem Pole Rd (4) 56 Tuft Hill Rd (5) 574 Fabyan Rd

Miscellaneous: None

<u>Purchase Requisitions Status:</u> Paid \$117.60 and Encumbered \$120.00 Stonebridge Press for legal notices and paid \$120.00 to CACIWC for Annual Conference.

- Correspondence:
 - a) The Habitat Fall 2018
- J) Signing of Mylars: None
- K) Comments by Commissioners: None
- Adjournment: Vice-Chair Fran Morano called to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 PM.
 Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Obert. Seconded by Commissioner Szamocki. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.

Recording Secretary
11-13-18 Minutes IWC Regular Meeting