



INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

Minutes of Regular Meeting of Wednesday, August 9, 2017

I. Administrative

- A. Quorum was recognized and Arnie DePascale, Chair opened the meeting at 7:03pm. In attendance were Arnie DePascale, Rob Wilson, Dick Alden, Rolf Dietrichson, and Linda Kobylarz.
Abby Conroy, ZEO
Lisa Ozaki, Recording Secretary
- B. **MOTION** Alden, seconded Dietrichson to approve the minutes from June 14, 2017 regular meeting as submitted; unanimously approved.
- C. Review General Communications:
 - A. Connecticut Wildlife May/June 2017
- D. Agent Review:
 - A. Northwest Asset Management for 29 Covey Road no inland wetlands, watercourses and regulated area for condos.

II. New Business

- A. **Application #2017-018** – JMA – Resubdivision – NSF – Mountain Top Pass Lot #380 & 381 (Submitted July 26, 2017)
Dwight Harris Sr., owner of Johnnycake Mountain Associates was present and addressed the commission. Email dated August 9, 2017 from WMC read into record. 2 lot resubdivision with shared driveway. Wetlands is very minimal. A lot of preserve area. Grading within 100'. Lots were cleared and farmed for over 20 years. Cows were previously on land, now goats. Driveway already installed where 2 houses exist. Pond is outside activity. The land behind will never be built on.
MOTION Wilson, seconded Miller determining no significant impact to the wetlands. Continued to next regular scheduled meeting on September 13, 2017.
- B. **Application #2017-010** – JMA – Resubdivision – NSF – Mountain Top Pass Lot #370 (Submitted July 26, 2017)
Dwight Harris Sr., owner of Johnnycake Mountain Associates was present and addressed the commission. No input received from WMC yet. Lot #370 located on Mountain Top Pass and corner of proposed road on Sawmill Road. House 125' away +/- and Septic 60' away from Wetlands. Wetlands near property line. Outflow of existing drainage. Subdivision next door has been completed. Septic is only thing in regulated area.
MOTION, seconded Miller determining no significant impact to the wetlands. Continued to next regular scheduled meeting on September 13, 2017.
- C. **Application #2017-020** – Reale – Maintenance – Lake Street #12 (Submitted August 4, 2017)
Diane Reale, owner was present and addressed the commission. Reale purchased house that has been abandon for over 12 years. Large pine trees have been cut and laying on property. Property is within 100' of the lake. No access for driveway on property. Reale would like to excavate on side of road of property for driveway. Parking on side of road now and not a wide
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road. Would like to remove stumps that are marked on the plan. Logging company coming soon to drag out logs and bringing excavator in for stumps. Commission states ok to pull logs out but no excavating of stumps at this time. Conroy will go out and look at site, as will commission members.

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III. Old Business

A. None

IV. Public Hearing(s)

A. None

V. Citizen Comment

A. Andrew O'Brien, 35 Heather Lane representing Wood Ponds Association. A 15 Household Association. Discussion regarding Large Pond on Heather Lane. Weed and lily pad growth. Association has started a Pond Life Committee. A discussion with town staff occurred a couple of months ago. The Fire Department uses the pond to practice. The association has met with the Lake Garda Association to see how they maintain their pond. Robert Gambino from Northeast Tree, Pond & Turf Service, Inc. letter dated April 16, 2017 submitted into record. Gambino recommendations 1. Water testing be done, 2. Work with Town to reduce water runoff to pond, 3. Consider introduction of sterile triploid grass eating Carp, 4. Instead of Carp, get permission to use chemical control to a portion of the pond, and 5. Implement a drawdown each fall to allow for freezing of remaining nuisance aquatic weeds. Association would also like to do a repair on the dam in the fall and at that time remove growth. Commission suggests doing water testing now and speak to Highway Department regarding the runoff. Commission would like to take a look at the area. Chemicals should be the last resort. Commission thinks it's great they came to the meeting informal discussion. Agrees they should get a plan in place and 1st draw down the water to take growth away right now. Commission also asked Association to email the Dam Safety Commission and they can advise them.

VI. Other Business Proper to Come Before the Commission

A. Miller states that Dahle, Dietrichson and Wilson need to be sworn in again with Town Clerk. Turnier will not be continuing with Commission.

VII. Staff Comments

VIII. Adjourn

MOTION Kobylarz, seconded Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm; unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted for the Commission,
Lisa Ozaki
Secretary, IWWC