

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

Minutes of Special Meeting of Wednesday, February 11, 2015

I. <u>Administrative</u>

1.1 Quorum was recognized and Arnie DePascale, Chair opened the meeting at 7:00 pm. In attendance were Arnie DePascale, Rob Wilson, Jonathan Schwartz, Dominick Lucenti, John Turnier, Rolf Dietrichson, Richard Miller.

Liz Burdick, ZEO

Allison Yudelson, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was recorded in its entirety and is available in the Town Hall.

- 1.2 MOTION Miller, seconded Schwartz to approve the minutes from October 8, 2014 regular meeting as submitted, unanimously approved.
 - MOTION Lucenti, seconded Schwartz to approve the minutes from January 14, 2015 special meeting with changes adding John Turnier in attendance at the meeting: unanimously approved.
- 1.3 Review General Communications:
 - a. Notice of Meetings regarding proposed capital projects referendum.
- 1.4 Agent Report(s):
 - a. Pre-Activity Review(s)-none
 - b. Permit Transfers-none
 - c. IWWC Agent Approval(s)-none

II. Citizen Comment - none

III. Old Business

- 3.1 Enforcement/Concerns/Report from ZEO
 - a. no report
- 3.2 Conwood Foresters-Timber Harvest-Rt 69-Declatory Ruling

David Beers was present and addressed the Commission. Submitted a locator map. Burdick stated that she walked the site with Beers and reviewed all crossings and the temporary bridge. She contacted Darcy Winter to clarify the regulation of stream crossing.

Burdick submitted a review dated February 4, 2015 for this Declaratory Ruling which included a clarification of stream crossings as defined by the C.G.S.

She noted for the record that in her opinion these crossings don't have a significant impact.

MOTION Miller, seconded Lucenti making a declaratory ruling of no jurisdiction in accordance with CGS Section 22a-40 &IWWC regulations Section 4.1.a: unanimously approved.



IV. Public Hearing(s)

4.1 none.

V. New Business

- 5.1 Enforcement/Concerns: none
- 5.2 Conwood Foresters-Timber Harvest-W/S Johnnycake Mountain Road/Bristol Water Co-Declatory Ruling

David Beers was present and addressed the Commission.

Site consists of 25 acres in Harwinton and 33 acres in Burlington. No stream crossings. Removal of sawtimber trees and firewood trees on total of 58 acres. Less than half of trees will be harvested with 50' of wetlands and watercourses.

MOTION Schwartz, seconded Lucenti making a declaratory ruling of no jurisdiction in accordance with CGS Section 22a-40 & IWWC regulations Section 4.1.a; unanimously approved.

5.3 <u>Application 2015-001</u>-Lake Garda Association Improvement Association-outlet structure maintenance and replacement-east of Monce Road, west of Shore Blvd and north of Rio Road.

Michael Klein, Soil Scientist, was present and addressed the Commission. Stated that this work has already been completed without the necessary permits. Was under the understanding that this work was permitted as necessary maintenance and did not require a permit. Work was necessary to maintain pond.

Repairs to the outlet control structure at Bull's Pond was completed by lowering the pond level to allow for a new man hole, gate valve and low level outlet piping. Burdick reviewed the site and reported no apparent erosion and no substantial negative impact to the water. Site has been re-seeded with hay mulch and silt fence installed at edge of area being disturbed.

Commission had lengthy discussion whether to vote significant impact or not.

This agenda item will be continued to the next regular meeting.

VI. Other Business Proper to Come Before The Commission

a. IWWC Referral-Ventres land purchase-Burlington Land Trust Paul Rochford was present and addressed the Commission. Parcel is 105 acres. Applying for an open space grant and BLT requests a letter of support from IWWC. Purchase price is \$800,000 in which Town would pay \$300,000 and grant \$500,000. Town meeting will be held on March 10th to vote on land purchase.

MOTION Miller, seconded Wilson to provide a letter of support from IWWC for the grant process; unanimously approved.



VII. <u>Adjourn</u>

MOTION Miller, seconded Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm; unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted for the Commission,

Allison Yudelson Secretary, IWWC