

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
TOWN OF EAST HADDAM
LAND USE OFFICE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 19, 2013
(Not yet approved by the Commission)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Randolph Dill called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Grange.

2. ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Randolph Dill, Mary Augustiny, Daniel Jahne, Jennifer Burton-Reeve, Bryan Goff, Susan O'Dell

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: James Ventres and 4 members of the public were present.

3. MINUTES:

Motion by Ms. Augustiny, seconded by Mr. Jahne to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. BILLS

None

5. FIELD WALK REPORT

None

6. WETLANDS PERMIT REVIEW

A) Continued: Hema DeSilva, 24 Glimmer Glen, wetlands permit review to construct a 3-season room on part of an existing deck in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 71, Lot 44.

First date: December 18, 2012

Last date: February 20, 2012

Mr. Tom Gilbert and Mr. David Andeen of All Phase Construction, as well as the property owner, Mr. Hema DeSilva addressed the commission.

Mr. Gilbert submitted the GIS sketch, as well as a diagram of the rain gutter system, which included a crushed stone bed.

Mr. Ventres noted that the commission had asked him to go out to the site. He reported that the 5-foot contour lines are shown on the GIS map. The underlying soil has some concern with depth to bedrock, so Mr. Ventres could not suggest any type of dry well for runoff. He believed the best thing would be to not have a curb installed in this area, as each property takes some of the road runoff, and that would prevent all of the runoff being directed onto this property.

Mr. Ventres also noted that planting was addressed at the last meeting. He recommended continuing the pachysandra around the corner of the house. This, coupled with the loose leaf litter would be beneficial.

Mr. Dill labeled the GIS map with Mr. DeSilva's property. Ms. Augustiny inquired about silt fencing, etc. This was noted on the plan. Mr. Gilbert planned to use hay bales or silt fence. Mr. Ventres added that this work could be accomplished in one day.

Motion by Mr. Goff to approve the application for Hema DeSilva in accordance with the drawing dated 2/19/13, with the following conditions:

- Gutters shall be installed.
- Erosion control shall be per the diagram
- Pachysandra, currently on one side, shall be extended around the lakeside of the house to control erosion.
- The applicant shall contact Mr. Ventres before the work commences.
- Photographs shall be submitted for the file once the work has been completed.

Motion seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve, and carried by unanimous vote.

7. WETLANDS SUBDIVISION REVIEW

B) New: Maria Misenti, 52 Mott Lane, subdivision review for a proposed 3-lot subdivision. Assessor's Map 76, Lot 106.

First date: January 15, 2013

Last date: March 20, 2013

No one representing the applicant was present. Mr. Dill noted in light of the fact that the commission could not walk this site due to the snow; it was decided to continue this application and try to reschedule the field walk.

Motion by Mr. Dill, seconded by Mr. Goff to continue the application of Maria Misenti, 52 Mott Lane, and to schedule the field walk. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

8. IWWC REPORT:

Mr. Ventres informed the Commission that Mr. John Dannecker on Smith Road had previously filed an application for a dock. He did everything he was supposed to do. However, the applicant has since discovered that he cannot put his lawn chairs near the dock. He would like to add a 12-ft. x 12-ft. platform behind the dock. Mr. Ventres asked if the applicant could amend his application to include this platform.

Ms. Augustiny asked, and it was noted that the platform would be located 10-feet up from the dock. She had no objection to an amendment of the application, but she believed the commission should walk the site, since he could not perform the work until spring anyway. She suggested the property owner stake the four corners of the platform, give a description of materials, and indicate whether the platform would be set on posts, etc. Mr. Dill suggested Mr. Ventres contact the property owner about this. It was agreed that no formal motion was necessary at this time.

Mr. Ventres included in each commissioner's packet information on a Lake Hayward dam. This was so that the commission would be aware of the work requested by the State, should anyone see work being done.

The commission discussed the double culvert over the Eightmile River at Haywardville Road. The proposal was to install a sleeve to repair the culverts. This would require review from the Army Corps of Engineers.

9. CONSERVATION COMMISSION INPUT

Mr. Todd Gelston had nothing new to report this evening. He did, however, question the status of the Banner project. Mr. Ventres indicated nothing new has happened recently. He has not received copies of any of the correspondence between the applicant and the State.

Ms. Augustiny stated there is a new gate at the transfer station that now swings closed when the transfer station is closed. However, the gate is before the walking trails, so it appears the trails are off limits. Mr. Ventres will go speak with them about this.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Augustiny, seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve, to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Pattavina