INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION TOWN OF EAST HADDAM LAND USE OFFICE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 21, 2017

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

2. ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Randy Dill, Mary Augustiny, Daniel Jahne, and Jennifer Burton-Reeve.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Bryan Goff

OTHERS: Mr. Ventres, Phillip Newman, Donald Smith, Debra Smith, Todd Gelston, and Ruth Ziobron-Recording Secretary.

3. MINUTES

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to accept the February 21, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously passed.

- **4. BILLS**-There were none.
- **5. FIELD INSPECTION REPORT-**Mr. Dill, Ms. Augustiny, and Mr. Ventres attended field walks on March 12, 2017. They reviewed 327 Lake Shore Drive, 17 Florida Road, 147 Leesville Road, and Falls Road.

6. WETLANDS PERMIT REVIEW-

A) Continued-#W16-19-East Haddam Land Trust, Falls Road (Bernstein Preserve), create parking area. Assessor's Map, 75, Lot 194
First: December 20, 2016

Last: March 22, 2017

Rob Smith has requested that the application be withdrawn.

Motion by Mr. Dill to accept the withdrawal of application #W16-19-East Haddam Land Trust, Falls Road (Bernstein Preserve), create parking area. Assessor's Map, 75, Lot 194. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously passed.

B) Continued - #W16-20-Town of East Haddam, 1 Plains Road, construct athletic fields and storm water basin. Assessor's Map, 56, Lot 38. First: January 17, 2017 Last: March 22, 2017

Kevin Brindle, P.E. of Anchor Engineering has requested an extension due to pending questions from the hydrologist to Brian Curtis P.E. regarding storm water basins. Mr. Ventres reviewed with the commission the progress of the wells for the municipal office. It was noted that the proposed tree removal would not affect wetlands.

Motion by Mr. Dill to extend application #W16-20-Town of East Haddam, 1 Plains Road, construct athletic fields and storm water basin. Assessor's Map, 56, Lot 38. Second by Mr. Jahne and unanimously passed.

C) Continued- #W16-21-Phillip & Kinny Newman, 17 Florida Road, construct a garage in the upland review area.

First: January 17, 2017 Last: March 22, 2017

Phillip Newman reviewed plans to construct a 24' x 32' carriage barn to store cars. Excavation will be necessary for a foundation. Ms. Augustiny stated the old forestry roadway, which goes to the wetlands, would require a silt fence to prevent runoff into the stream. Mr. Newman stated this was included in the plan documents. Ms. Augustiny requested crushed stone around the drip edges to alleviate runoff from the garage.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to approve application #W16-21-Phillip & Kinny Newman, 17 Florida Road, construct a garage in the upland review area with the following conditions. Before construction starts a silt fence is to be installed on the stream side where the old woods road is located and that crushed stone is installed around the foundation of the proposed garage. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously passed.

D) Continued - #W17-03-Dennis & Evelyn Passan, 327 Lake Shore Drive (lot across the street), Lake Hayward, construct a stairway and dock in the upland review area.

Assessor's Map 87, Lot 213 &214

No one representing the applicant was present at this meeting.

Motion by Mr. Dill, seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously passed to continue #W17-03-Dennis & Evelyn Passan, 327 Lake Shore Drive (lot across the street), Lake Hayward, construct a stairway and dock in the upland review area at the next meeting.

E) Continued- #W17-04-Donald Smith, Lake Shore Drive, Lake Hayward, construct a dock, add electricity, add split rail fence, remove trees, and shoreline rehabilitation. Assessor's Map 80, Lot 270.

 Donald and Debra Smith presented plans for a dock for a 20 foot pontoon boat. The addition of electricity on the left side of the property (buried lines) would be to charge the pontoon boat batteries. They proposed a split rail fence with plantings of rhododendrons and hydrangeas on the south side of the property. The previous owner cut many of the trees. Mrs. Smith stated they would not remove any trees. Mr. Smith stated they would be building a three car parking area 20' x 30' with a winding path down to a sitting area near the water. Mrs. Smith stated there would be no permanent lighting. Mr. Smith stated the proposed dock would be removed in the fall and installed again in the spring. The ramp would be fixed to the shore and attached to the dock.

Mr. Dill questioned why the dock plans included an additional 10'x6' area to which Mrs. Smith replied as a sitting area. Mr. Dill stated the proposal was for significant activity on undeveloped lakefront. Mr. Dill stated the proposed dock was too large.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to approve #W17-04-Donald Smith, Lake Shore Drive, Lake Hayward, construct a dock, add electricity, add split rail fence, remove 1 tree, and shoreline rehabilitation with minimal cutting by leaving the root structure for a dock which is 6 feet wide and 25 feet long, with a split rail fence on one side of the property and underground power source to the dock, but no permanent lighting fixtures are allowed. Assessor's Map 80, Lot 270. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously passed.

Ms. Augustiny requested the applicant to inform the Land Use Administrator of the start date and provide pictures of the finished project.

F) Continued - #W17-05-Andrew Walter-147 Leesville Road-driveway crossing.

Assessor's Map 63, Lot 42.

No one representing the applicant was present at this meeting. Mr. Dill and Ms. Augustiny reviewed the site walk. Construction of a house on the site requires a crossing over a drainage ditch. Soil scientists have determined the area as intermittent wetlands. Ms. Augustiny requested erosion control downstream during construction to which Mr. Ventres replied it was included in the proposed plans. Mr. Dill questioned how the sides of the pipe would be stabilized to prevent erosion. Mr. Ventres suggested geotextile material on the sides to stabilize the bank.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to approve #W17-05-Andrew Walter-147 Leesville Road-driveway crossing. Assessor's Map 63, Lot 42, according to plans dated January 17, 2017 with the condition that the sidewalls of the crossing be enforced with geotextile material and that erosion control be installed before construction starts. Second by Mr. Jahne and unanimously passed.

7. IWWC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT-Nothing new to report.

8. REVIEW OF REGULATION CHANGES-Nothing new to report.

9. DISCUSSION.

Mr. Dill reviewed a draft letter which will be sent to Laura Magaraci thanking her for her contribution to the Commission.

10.CONSERVATION COMMISSION INPUT-Mr. Gelston had nothing new to report.

11.ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Augustiny and seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve to adjourn at 8:40p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Ruth Ziobron Recording Secretary