

**INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSE COMMISSION
TOWN OF EAST HADDAM**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Municipal Office Complex, 1 Plains Road
October 16, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Dill called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm at the Municipal Office Complex.

2. ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chair, Randolph Dill, Vice-Chair, Mary Augustiny, Jennifer Burton-Reeve, and Daniel Jahne

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Bryan Goff

3. MINUTES

Motioned by Mr. Jahne, seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve, and unanimously passed to accept the September 18, 2018 minutes as amended.

- Page 3, 5th paragraph, third line down, change “being” to “begin”.
- Page 5, “Conservation Commission Input”, add the following, “Rob Smith delivered the report.”
- Page 5 – Mr. Jahne made the motion.

4. BILLS

No bills.

5. FIELD INSPECTION REPORT

No field inspections this month.

6. WETLANDS PERMIT REVIEW

- A. Continued - #W18-22 – 2 Lois Lane, Robert Bruce Jr., construct a driveway in the upland review area. Assessor’s Map 80, Lot 463.
First Date: September, 18 2018 Last Date: November 21, 2018**

Mr. Ventres stated that Charlie Dutch, PE of Dutch and Associates has been hired to create the plans. The plans have not yet been submitted. Mr. Ventres has reached out to Mr. Dutch to inform him they have until the November 21st meeting to submit the plans for review or withdraw the application.

Motioned by Mr. Dill, seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve, and unanimously passed to continue the application #W18-22 – 2 Lois Lane, Robert Bruce Jr., construct a driveway in the upland review area. Assessor’s Map 80, Lot 463.

B. Continued - #W18-23 – 21 Mount Parnassus Road, Shagbark Lumber & Farm Supply, construct a 45’ X 90’ commercial building and porch in the upland review area. Assessor’s Map 27, Lot 91.

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Roger Nemergut, PE of Nemergut Consulting presented the old plans from 2005. These plans showed an 8,000 square foot addition. He then presented the current plans. The new plans are for a 45’ x 90’ addition, which would be about 4,000 square feet.

Due to the decreased size of the addition they are able to use the existing east entrance. The driveway no longer needs to be relocated. Additionally, the culvert would not be affected.

Mr. Nemergut said the water meter readings for the past year were approximately 200 gallons per day. The current capacity for the septic system is 1,100 gallons. They are hoping to connect the new building into the existing system. In order to do this they would need to have an exception made from the state Health Department. If the exception is not made they would have to put the new building on its own system.

Mr. Jahne asked if the parking area for the new building is already present. Mr. Nemergut believes the future parking area is existing but the area is currently being used to display products.

Mr. Todd Gelston asked if plans are in place to control the water coming off the roof of the addition. Mr. Nemergut stated the existing building has gutters and downspouts that lead to pipes, which go under the parking lot. He believes they would take a similar approach for the addition.

Mr. Dill asked when the construction would begin. Mr. Nemergut stated construction would begin in the spring.

Mr. Jahne asked if they would have an official answer from the state Health Department in regards to connecting the proposed addition to the existing septic system. Mr. Nemergut stated they most likely would not receive an answer by the next meeting. Both Mr. Nemergut and Mr. Ventres believe the Health Department will grant them the variance.

Mr. Dill and Ms. Augustiny both suggested a field walk might not be necessary since the driveway is no longer being relocated.

Motioned by Ms. Augustiny, seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve, and unanimously passed to approve application #W18-23 – 21 Mount Parnassus Road, Shagbark Lumber & Farm Supply, construct a 45’ X 90’ commercial building and porch in the upland review area. Assessor’s Map 27, Lot 91 with plans approved on

10/16/2018 with the condition the health department demands a separate septic hook-up to the new building the applicant will return to the Inlands Wetlands and Watercourse Commission (IWWC).

7. IWWC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Ventres stated he has been working closely with the Public Works Department in regards to the damage from the recent storm. He stated a firm would likely be hired to help with the reconstruction of Neptune Avenue. He also stated a lot of pipes as well as culverts have suffered damage.

The commission has received a letter from a property owner on Creek Row who has experienced extensive damage due to flooding. Mr. Dill asked for this property to be including during the next field inspection.

Mr. Ventres presented the new plans for application #W18-21. He stated the two ponds would be seepage ponds. Mr. Dill asked how big the ponds would be. Mr. Ventres stated the property owner and tenant have both been informed the ponds are to stay under 2,500 feet each.

Mr. Ventres presenting the following documents: Connecticut Federation of Planning and Zoning Agencies quarterly news letter and the Connecticut Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions conference.

Ms. Augustiny asked if the Goodspeed building that was flooded by the last storm would remain. Mr. Ventres said they are going to keep the building but the stone retaining wall has been wiped out.

8. CONSERVATIONS COMMISSION INPUT

Mr. Gelston stated construction has begun on the bridge over Hemlock Valley Brook. They are hoping to finish construction before everything begins to freeze.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Burton-Reeve made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm, Mr. Jahne seconded the motion and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted

Devin Ganley
Recording Secretary