

**East Haddam Inlands Wetland and Watercourse Commission
Town of East Haddam**

**Regular Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Dill called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm at the Municipal Office.

2. ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairman - Randolph Dill, Vice Chair, Mary Augustiny, and Daniel Jahne

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Bryan Goff and Jennifer Burton-Reeve

3. MINUTES

Motioned by Ms. Augustiny, seconded by Mr. Jahne, and unanimously passed to accept the minutes as amended.

Page 2, Item 8, - change Mr. Gelston to Mr. Smith.

4. BILLS

No bills.

5. FIELD INSPECTION REPORT

Mr. Dill, Ms. Augustiny, Mr. Jahne, and Mr. Ventres attended the following field inspection:

194 EH Colchester Turnpike

6. WETLAND PERMIT REVIEW

- A. Continued - #W19-01 – 194 EH Colchester Turnpike (Bashan Lake), D. Jeanne Messick, Trustee of Wilson H. Brownell 2004 Trust, construct a deck, construct a dock, and do landscaping in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 66, Lot 417.**

First Date: January 15, 2019

Last Date: March 20, 2019

Mr. Brownell presented plans to the commission to clear tress, underbrush, and debris from a 100-foot section of the property along the water, which would leave 718 feet untouched. Mr. Brownell stated they would like to clear the area for safety so that they have a clear view of anyone swimming in the water.

Mr. Jahne asked if the rock wall would be rebuilt. Mr. Brownell stated he would push the stones back into place.

Ms. Augustiny asked if all of the shrubbery would be uprooted. Mr. Ventres suggested they trim the shrubbery, which would help to hold the shoreline. The root mass in combination with the stone wall would help prevent erosion. Mr. Brownell stated he would not uproot the shrubbery; instead he would trim the shrubbery as suggested.

Regarding the proposed porch Mr. Dill asked if there is a structure currently in place. Mr. Brownell stated there is not. Mr. Jane asked if the new porch would include a drip edge. Mr. Brownell stated they could include a drip edge.

Mr. Dill asked about the number of livable dwellings on the property. Mr. Brownell stated there are three: the main house, the cottage, and the workshop, which is where the intended porch would be built.

Mr. Jahne asked to clarify the size of the porch. Mr. Brownell stated the porch would be 14' x 10'. Ms. Augustiny asked if the porch would be enclosed. Mr. Brownell stated the porch would not be enclosed.

Mr. Jahne asked if they would import stone or if they would use existing stone. Mr. Brownell stated he would use existing stone when possible and import more as needed.

Regarding the proposed dock, Mr. Jahne asked from what material the dock would be made. Mr. Brownell stated the dock would be a wooden, floating, removable dock. Ms. Augustiny asked why the dock would be 20 feet long. Mr. Brownell stated the size of the dock is needed to accommodate an 18-foot boat.

Ms. Augustiny asked how the commission's decision would be impacted by the existing easement. Mr. Ventres stated the commission's process and decision are independent of the conservation easement.

Motioned by Mr. Jahne, seconded by Ms. Augustiny, and unanimously passed to approve application #W19-01 – 194 EH Colchester Turnpike (Bashan Lake), D. Jeanne Messick, Trustee of Wilson H. Brownell 2004 Trust, construct a deck, construct a dock,

and do landscaping in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 66, Lot 417 per the plans submitted February 19, 2019 with the narrative submittal reflecting the covered porch have a stone drip edge around the perimeter, the dock be a floating dock per submittal dimensions, and the porch not be enclosed.

- B. New - #W19-02 – 21 Mount Parnassus Road, Shagbark Lumber & Farm Supply, relocation of the previously approved commercial building footprint and porch in the upland review area and relocation of the driveway on the east side of the property in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 27, Lot 91.**

First Date: February 19, 2019

Last Date: April, 24 2019

Mr. Ventres stated the applicant is coming back to the commission to increase the size of the previously presented plans. Mr. Ventres has asked Mr. Nemergut (PE) to state out the field and demonstrate why the previously approved dimensions will not work.

Motioned by Mr. Dill, seconded by Mr. Jahne, and unanimously passed to continue the application and schedule a field walk for application #W19-02 – 21 Mount Parnassus Road, Shagbark Lumber & Farm Supply, relocation of the previously approved commercial building footprint and porch in the upland review area and relocation of the driveway on the east side of the property in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 27, Lot 91.

7. IWWC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Ventres stated he expects to have an application for a subdivision on the corner of Town Street and Cold Spring Road.

8. CONSERVATION COMMISSION INPUT

Mr. Smith stated the work on the bridge on the Rose Farm property is still under construction. They will be decking the structure in March. The proposed date of completion is Spring 2019.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Ms. Augustiny, seconded by Mr. Jahne, and unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Devin Ganley