

**East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission
Land Use Office**

**Regular Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2019**

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission was called to order by Mr. Dill at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Office Building.

2. Attendance

Members Present: Randolph Dill (Chairman), Mary Augustiny, and Jennifer Burton-Reeve

Members Absent: Bryan Goff, and Daniel Jahne

Also Present: Jim Ventres (Land Use Administrator)

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to accept the minutes from the November 19, 2019 meeting as presented. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved. Mr. Dill abstained.

4. Bills

None.

5. Field Inspection Report

The Commission visited two sites on Sunday, Dec, 15, 2019. Sites visited were 211 East Shore Drive and 49 Main Street. Mr. Dill, Ms. Burton-Reeve and Mr. Ventres were present for all site visits.

6. Wetlands Permit Review

A. Continued - #W19-20 – 49 Main Street, Robert & Marcia Reynolds, construct a garage and driveway in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 26, Lot 3.

Mr. Ventres presented the map and outlined the changes the owners are requesting. There is an existing garage that the owners would like to enlarge to allow for the ground floor garage to hold 2 vehicles. The deck would be expanded with lattice work added to the side that will cover gas tanks and trash receptacles. Crushed stone would be placed under the new porch area. The new construction will be 35 feet away from the wetlands area. There is lawn all around the wetlands pocket with a few bushes. Mr. Dill would like to understand how the water will be treated now that there will be a larger roof surface, prior to a final vote.

Motion by Ms. Burton-Reeve to continue application #W19-20 – 49 Main Street, Robert & Marcia Reynolds, construct a garage and driveway in the upland review area. Assessor's

Map 26, Lot 3 as submitted until the next scheduled meeting. Second by Ms. Augustiny and unanimously approved.

- B. Continued - #W19-21 – Lake Hayward Town Road, Shugrue Property, Town of East Haddam, create a parking lot in the upland review area and create crossings for hiking trails over 2 intermittent streams. Assessor's Map 79, Lot 25.**

Mr. Ventres provided an update to address Ms. Augustiny's question on how the crossings would be addressed through the wetlands. Mr. Smith, Conservation Commission Chair, indicated to Mr. Ventres there will be no bridge installed due to the wetlands being intermittent; instead stepping stones through the wetlands would be used. Mr. Ventres also provided an update to Ms. Augustiny's question on how vehicular traffic would be prevented from leaving the parking area and entering the open space. Mr. Smith indicated to Mr. Ventres that existing rocks, downed trees and such will be used to outline the parking lot and block any vehicular traffic from entering the trail area. The parking lot would accommodate about 8 vehicles.

Motion by Ms. Burton-Reeves to approve application #W19-21 – Lake Hayward Town Road, Shugrue Property, Town of East Haddam, to create a parking lot in the upland review area and create crossings for hiking trails with stepping stones and no added impediments in 2 intermittent streams. Assessor's Map 79, Lot 25. Second by Ms. Augustiny and unanimously approved.

- C. Continued - #W19-22 – 27 Daniels Road, David & Joanne Shelberg, construct a barn in the upland review area. Assessor's Map 37, Lot 71.**

Mr. Ventres noted that the prospective buyers for this property have gotten cold feet, and Mr. Shelberg (the current owner) has requested that the permit review be continued. Mr. Ventres has the A-2 survey and as-built but does not have exact plans of the proposed building to share at this time.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to continue application #W19-22 – 27 Daniels Road, David & Joanne Shelberg, construct a barn in the upland review area, and if decided that the application is continued, the IWWC will conduct a field walk. Assessor's Map 37, Lot 71. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

- D. New - #W19-23 – 211 East Shore Drive (Lake Hayward), Monique Rowley & Tom Samperi, construct ramp into lake. Assessor's Map 80, Lot 361.**

Mr. Ventres let Mr. Samperi know that the diagram needs to be upgraded with the wing walls and side cuts. He also talked with him about the possibility for a hardened surface to prevent the north wind, which blows fiercely year round, from destroying it. The goal is to put a wheelchair accessible ramp into the lake. Mr. Samperi will update the plans and provide to Mr. Ventres prior to the next meeting. Mr. Dill would like to ensure there is not erosion into the lake. The members discussed the concern about this becoming a boat launch. The 10 foot width will be discussed with the owners at the next meeting.

Motion by Ms. Burton-Reeve to continue application #W19-23 – 211 East Shore Drive (Lake Hayward), Monique Rowley & Tom Samperi, construct ramp into lake to next regularly scheduled meeting. Assessor's Map 80, Lot 361. Second by Ms. Augustiny and unanimously approved.

7. IWWC Enforcement Officer's Report

Mr. Ventres received a call from the owners of Lakeside Dan's and was asked to visit the site. Mr. O'Mara noted that the pipe worked prior to him plugging it up. Mr. Ventres indicated to Mr. O'Mara that he must unplug it, and also noted that if it does not work after being unplugged, there is a corrective order in place. The corrective order requires that it be fixed, so if unplugging the drain does not fix the problem, remediation is still required. Mr. Ventres is actively monitoring the situation.

8. Conservation Commission Input

No Conservation Commission member attended; no report provided.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon A. Goyette
Recording Secretary