

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
TOWN OF EAST HADDAM
LAND USE OFFICE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 16, 2012
 (Not yet approved by the Commission)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairman Mary Augustiny called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Grange.

2. ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mary Augustiny, Susan Odell, Daniel Jahne

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Randolph Dill – Chairman, 1 vacancy, Jennifer Burton-Reeve, Bryan Goff

OTHERS PRESENT: James Ventres, and no public were present.

Ms. Augustiny appointed Mrs. Odell to vote this evening.

3. MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Jahne, seconded by Mrs. Odell to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2012 meeting as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. BILLS

None

5. FIELD WALK REPORT

None

6. WETLANDS PERMIT REVIEW

A) Continued: Kip Kollar, 7 Connecticut River Road, wetlands permit review to install walkway to the river and to increase the size of driveway. Assessor's Map 8, Lot 4.

First date: July 17, 2012

Last date: September 19, 2012

No one representing the applicant was present at this meeting. Mr. Ventres sent the applicant an email, but has heard nothing from him.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny, seconded by Mr. Jahne to continue the application of Kip Kollar to next meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

7. WETLANDS DETERMINATION DISCUSSION

No one representing the applicant was present. At Mr. Dill's request, Mr. Ventres went to this site, and discovered the stream was less than 6-feet wide, and is an intermittent watercourse. He suggested hay bales on each side, have the erosion control in place before commencing work, and photos for the file. He stated this is a permitted activity.

Ms. Augustiny asked if there was any concern for the Eightmile River. Mr. Ventres stated that the main section of the Eightmile River is quite a distance away and that selective forestry is a permitted activity in this area.

Mr. Ventres will review the bridge when they start the logging process. The approach is 4-5%, and the soil is very stony. He recommended, in the case of inclement weather, that hay bales be installed on Fridays, since the logger does not plan to work on the weekends.

8. IWWC REPORT:

Ms. Augustiny reported that Shagbark continues to store materials near the brook. Mr. Ventres stated that he has been through this with Mr. Hunt, and no new work or approvals can be done without finishing the requirements of the old applications. Mr. Ventres will speak with Mr. Hunt regarding this issue again.

Ms. Augustiny inquired about the subdivision on Route 149. Mr. Ventres stated there were no wetlands on the property, and it was all family owned. The attorneys for the property owners indicated that nothing had changed, so he had it as a review only.

The Commission discussed an upcoming seminar on Thursday, December 6. Ms. Augustiny plans to attend this conference.

9. CONSERVATION COMMISSION INPUT

Mr. Gelston inquired if Banner Lodge had applied for the diversion permit yet, to which Mr. Ventres reported they had not.

Mr. Gelston stated the Conservation Commission was very concerned about the Banner Lodge project. He asked if they do apply for a diversion permit, what type of notice they would have. Mr. Ventres stated they typically notify the town. Mr. Ventres must get this information to the WPCA as well, so he will need notification.

Mr. Ventres noted that the approval letter required copies of all correspondence from the applicant to the CT DEEP, and also from the CT DEEP.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Odell, seconded by Mr. Jahne to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Pattavina