

TOWN OF KILLINGLY
INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION (IWWC)
Killingly Town Hall
172 Main Street
Danielson, CT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 6, 2020

This meeting was held in virtual format with connections via live stream and video conferencing.

- I. Call to order: Chairman Sandy Eggers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call: **Present:** Chairman Sandy Eggers, Vice Chairman Rod Galton, Deborah Lamiotte, Beth Dubofsky-Popper, Fred Ruhlemann & Secretary Corina Torrey. **Absent:** Ronald Dass. **Also Present:** Jonathan Blake, Planner / Zoning Enforcement Officer.
- III. Adoption of Minutes:
- a. April 6, 2020 Regular Meeting:
- MOTION #1 (07.06.20):** made by Vice Chairman Galton **SECONDED BY** Mr. Ruhlemann that the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission approve the April 6, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented
VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS; MOTION CARRIED
- IV. Citizens' Participation: NONE.
- V. Unfinished Business:
- a. **Application #20-1482** Patriot Homes LLC for a 30 lot subdivision; with associated grading, drainage, & utilities, within 200'; new roadway and storm water basin within the 200' upland review area; Located at 215 Hartford Pike; GIS Map 108; Lot 4; 20.761 acres; Low Density Zone
- APPLICANT / PRESENTATION:** Mr. Normand Thibeault, Killingly Engineering Associates, was present via conference/WEBEX. Mr. Thibeault submitted correspondence, dated April 6, 2020, in response to a staff review report written by the Town's Engineer, Mr. David Capacchione, dated February 27, 2020. Additionally, and in-depth drainage plan was submitted by Mr. Thibeault as was previously requested by Town Staff and IWWC.
- MOTION #2 (07.06.20):** made by Mr. Ruhlemann **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Galton that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses grant the extension (authorized by Mr. Thibeault) request, tabling Application #20-1482 to the next regularly scheduled meeting.
VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS; MOTION CARRIED
- VI. New Business:
- a. **Application #20-1490** James & Shella Liewicz for a Jurisdictional Ruling Notification of Timber Harvest; located at 81 Roth Road; GIS Map 11; Lot 1; 98.74 acres; Rural Development Zone.
- TOWN STAFF / ENGINEERING REPORT:** Jonathan Blake indicated this type of activity comes before IWWC for review, comments, and considerations. This type of application is somewhat unique because it is forestry and allowed as an "as-of-right" activity. IWWC does however provide oversight.
- IWWC REVIEW/COMMENTS:** IWWC members reviewed correspondence submitted by Hull Forest Products, dated June 22, 2020, which included a specific description of intent and activities, as well as the Notification of Timber Harvest Form.
- MOTION #3 (07.06.20):** made by Mr. Ruhlemann **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Galton that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses recognizes the Jurisdictional Ruling for Application #20-1490, James & Shella Liewicz, as it is an "as-of-right" activity
VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS; MOTION CARRIED
- b. **Application #20-1491 Town of Killingly** for a Jurisdictional Ruling regarding property maintenance (CGS 22a-40-A-4) Property located at Alexander's Lake Overlay Zoning District.

TOWN STAFF / ENGINEERING REPORT: Jonathan Blake indicated this type of activity comes before IWWC for review, comments, and considerations. In the past, there were numerous issues related to failing walls in and around the lake. Residents have approached this office regarding proposed projects and others have done the work without permits. Work was done that was not in the best interest of protecting the existing lake, maintaining proper distances, and working within guidelines preferred by the Town. In this new application, there is no intent for new construction or expansion of any area involved as it is only for maintenance of an existing walls.

IWWC REVIEW/COMMENTS: IWWC members reviewed information as submitted for this application. There was consensus the applicant speaks with Mr. Blake and comes before the Commission to present details about this application. This activity must be overseen by Town Staff due to its importance. There was consensus the applicant seek a permit for any wall replacement, maintenance. The permit will allow for non-advancement into the lake. There was review of the associated State Statute (CGS 22a-40-A-4).

MOTION #4 (07.06.20): made by Mr. Ruhlemann **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Galton that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses deny Application #20-1491, Town of Killingly, as the proposed activity of property "maintenance" does not fall under a Jurisdictional Ruling and is not considered an "as-of-right" use

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIED

- c. **Application #20-1492 Dennis Lawlor** for a Jurisdictional Ruling regarding property maintenance (CGS 22a-40-A-4). Property located at 1460 North Road; GIS Map 44; Lot 1; 1.9 acres; Rural Development Zone.

TOWN STAFF / ENGINEERING REPORT: Jonathan Blake provided a history of the property and previous actions taken by Town Staff and IWWC.

IWWC REVIEW/COMMENTS: There was consensus the application obtain a soil scientist report on this property to determine if wetlands exist prior to any potential maintenance, excavation, etc. on this property. If wetlands exist a permit is necessary. If there are no wetlands no permit is required.

MOTION #5 (07.06.20): made by Vice Chairman Galton **SECONDED BY** Ms. Torrey that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses deny Application #20-1492, Dennis Lawlor, without prejudice

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIED

- d. **Application #15-1413 Snake Meadow Club** for a 5-year extension from the October 5, 2015 approval of restoration and permitting of a gravel operation, which expired October 5, 2020 to October 5 2025; Property located at 567 Hubbard Road; GIS Map 255; Lot 10; 12.1 acres; Rural Development Zone.

IWWC REVIEW/COMMENTS: IWWC members reviewed correspondence submitted by Mr. David Held, Provost & Rivero, dated April 30, 2020, asking for a 5-year extension. Plans were submitted into the record. Proposed activities are essentially the same as previously proposed. Regulated activities been slightly reduced along the Snake Meadow corridor on the westerly side of the project.

MOTION #6 (07.06.20): made by Vice Chairman **SECONDED BY** Corina Torrey that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses approve a (5) five-year extension to October 5, 2025 for Application #15-1413, Snake Meadow Club.

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIED

VII. Correspondence to the Commission:

VIII. Staff Report

- a. Authorized Agent Approval: N/A
- b. Monthly Zoning/Wetland Report: N/A
- c. Appointment of Authorized Agent: With this appointment the Town of Killingly now has three members of staff that can act as the Wetlands Agent:

MOTION #7 (07.06.20): made by Corina Torrey **SECONDED BY** Ms. Dubofsky-Porter that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission recognize the new Authorized Agents:

1. Ann Marie Aubrey – Director of Planning & Development
2. Jonathan Blake - Zoning Enforcement Officer / Planner 1
3. Marina Capraro – Natural Resources Officer / Planning Assistant

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIED

IX. Town Council Liaison: N/A

X. Adjournment

MOTION #8 (07.06.20): made by Mr. Galton **SECONDED BY** Mr. Ruhlemann that the Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted, *Sherry Pollard*,
IWWC Recording Secretary