

**INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
WOODSTOCK TOWN HALL – MEETING ROOM B**

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Chair Mark Parker at 7:03 p.m.
- II. Roll Call** – Marla Butts, Bill Rewinski, Woody Durst, Diane Wolff, Mark Parker, Tina Lajoie (IWWA Clerk), Terry Bellman, (Wetlands Agent).
Absent: Michael Thienel
Also Present: Ron Ferguson, VP of Solair and resident of Woodstock, Bill Dino, Solair representative, and David Hancock, resident.
- III. Appointment of Alternates** – None
- IV. Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting – April 2, 2018**
Motion by W. Durst, Seconded by D. Wolff to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried unanimously.
- V. Old Business**
- a. 04-18-06 Laurel Ridge, Inc., 65 Ide Perrin Road – Emergency road repair**
Engineering report was submitted by applicant (provided by Robert E. Nissen, retired engineer from Town of Cromwell) detailing drainage calculations/capacity/analysis. Photographs are reviewed. According to the calculations, design exceeds the 100 year storm with twin 36” pipes that replaces the 48” pipe. John Navarro, Highway Foreman, has submitted documentation from the “Cornell Local Roads Program” manual that supports the method of installation and pipe sizing for the road. Excavated material was hauled away from any wetlands or watercourses.
- M. Parker reports that he visited the site with Kartik Parekh and Ann Kuzyk, DEEP Dam Safety representatives, to investigate the dam situation. K. Parekh did confirm that the dam was registered and classified as Class A, low hazard. A report will be issued by DEEP. Topo map is examined. There is some discussion on work that would be considered maintenance, removal of trees and how to apply for a “Use as of Right or Non-regulated activity/jurisdictional ruling.” M. Parker comments on his site walk and he observed bar grates in front of the culvert to help with regular clean out and it is agreed that this is acceptable as long as it is cleaned out and maintained regularly. David Hancock, resident who lives upstream from the pond, has questions. A complaint was received from Mr. Hancock that extensive work was being done without a permit, it was investigated and the applicant responded subsequently by applying for the required permit. Mr. Hancock remarks about his previous experience with wetlands disturbance and the necessity for extensive E&S controls and engineering reports, etc. Chair Parker provides detailed explanation on procedure with complaints and how IWWA normally handles enforcement issues. After questions from Mr. Hancock regarding the dam, Parker remarked that the inspection of the dam revealed that that the existing board capacity at the dam was satisfactory. IWWA confirms that the field hydraulic calculations are acceptable.
- MOTION BY M. BUTTS TO APPROVE 04-18-06 LAUREL RIDGE, INC. TO MAINTAIN TWIN 36” HDPE PIPES WITH A GRATE AT THE INLET END OF EACH PIPE TO BE**

MAINTAINED ON A CONSISTENT BASIS BY THE PERMITEE SUCH THAT WATER DOES NOT POOL UP BEHIND IT. SECONDED BY W. DURST. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. Wetlands Agent Activity Report

a. T. Lajoie reports that an Agent Sign-off was issued to Marcel Dessert on 04/18/2018 @ 79 Little Pond Road for the installation of a new septic (old one failed) which was within 125 feet of a pond. NDDH approved the repair.

b. T. Bellman reports about a notification from a resident on Dugg Hill Road regarding a neighbor's pond (Sampsons Pond) and a dam issue. Report is that tree fell down which caused a large hole in the dam and Mr. Beaupre had placed rocks in the hole. T. Bellman called him and informed him that if he plans on repairing the dam, that he would need a permit from DEEP. He agreed that if he were to repair it, he would follow the procedure.

At this time, Chair Parker takes a moment to thank Terry Bellman for all of his years of service to the Wetland's Agency and is extremely appreciative for his expertise, knowledge and advice with so many situations through the years. Terry Bellman thanks the Agency for their heartfelt comments.

VII. Citizen's Comments / other topics

a. Notification from J&D re: proposed 2 lot subdivision, 59 Rindge Rd., Union, CT –no action required.

b. Yale Environment correspondence re: North American climate boundary shifting – no action required.

c. Chair Parker comments that May is National Wetlands Month and he encourages members to go to the NRCS website that has great information on wetlands and what they are working on.

d. M. Butts would like to clarify a previous complaint on Senexet Road where she saw piles of fill and stone and upon further examination, realized it was frozen soil and not stones.

e. Discussion on the budget and the need for proper funding in the wetland's budget for staffing with current proposed reorganization of the land use/building offices. Monthly reports are being requested at each meeting from the Treasurer's office. M. Parker & M. Butts plan to meet with the First Selectman to discuss future staffing and their authority to designate a wetland's agent.

f. Woody Durst commented on the annual legal training with Attorney DeCrescenzo and it was noted by our town attorney that he comes prepared to give his annual training that addresses all the boards and commissions, PZC, IWWA & ZBA. It is noted for future training that all boards and commissions should be notified. Duly noted by staff.

g. Mark Parker will not be available for the June 4th meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY W. DURST, SECONDED BY W. REWINSKI AT 08:33 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tina M. Lajoie, IWWA Clerk

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