

Inland Wetlands & Watercourse Agency

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, July 11, 2022

7:00 PM

Virtual Via Zoom

The IWWA meetings will be conducted on zoom until further notice.

Public sign-in instructions can be found on the town website, woodstockct.gov prior to the meeting time.

Documents for the meeting can be found on the website under the IWWA tab.

The recording of this meeting can be viewed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Qq-gJz6ihc>

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairman Mark Parker called meeting to order at 7:18 pm

2. Roll Call

Members Present- Mark Parker, Marla Butts, William Rewinski, Stuart Peaslee (alternate)

Others Present- Wetlands Agent Ashley Stephens, Recording Secretary Amy Monahan, Members of the public including Paul Archer, Michael Bartlett, Jeremy Neurath, Michael Kelly, Austin Harmon

3. Appointment of Alternates

- a. Stuart Peaslee seated

4. Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. Regular Meeting June 6, 2022
 - i. Item VI.a.iii - The word "by" needs to be inserted so that sentence reads "Kathy Ellison, LBTB Board Member, stated that the dock must be removable and a driveway bond is required by the Lake Bungbee Tax District."
 - ii. Item VI.f.iii - Pillo is the correct spelling for Jean Pillo
 - iii. Bill Rewinski made a ***Motion** to accept minutes of June 7, 2022 Regular Meeting with above mentioned edits. ***Seconded** by Marla Butts. ***The motion passed unanimously.**

5. Pending Applications

- a. 04-22-15- BLH Properties- 170 Lyon Hill Rd- 2 lot subdivision (received 5/2/22)
 - i. Paul Archer is representing BLH Properties. Corrections have been made to the sight plan including moving driveway and creating swale to prevent water from reaching road as well as adding a drain on side of the driveway. The gravel driveway has been widened in 2 locations for passing areas. There will be a property line adjustment made for upcoming purchase of 2.5 acres of an adjacent lot. Approval from NDDH has been granted for the project. The application has been changed to reflect being a 3-lot subdivision.
 - ii. Marla noted this subdivision is proposing regulated activities in 2 separate lots that would require 2 approvals- one for each lot and the approvals would not be transferrable.
 - 1. Paul stated that BLH will be building both houses and not selling either lot. Paul understands the concern and still wishes to move forward with plans presented by BLH.
 - iii. Marla questioned the fees paid for this application as she is concerned with our current fee schedule for the Town of Woodstock. Paul stated that \$190 was paid for this Wetlands

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application.

- iv. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to approve application 04-22-15- BLH Properties- 170 Lyon Hill Rd- 3 lot subdivision with the condition that approval is not transferrable independently under this permit. ***Seconded** by Stuart Peaslee. ***The motion passed unanimously.**
- b. 06-22-18- Michel Grenier- 399 Roseland Park Rd- work in UPA/ Wetlands (received 6/6/22)
 - i. Ashley Stephens stated that the applicant has hired an engineer but needs more time for engineering work to be completed.
 - ii. Marla requested that the applicant withdraw the application and resubmit within 90 days. She noticed new material on that location and cautioned the applicant that no work should be done at this location without approval.
 - iii. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to table application 06-22-18- Michel Grenier- 399 Roseland Park Rd- work in UPA/ Wetlands (received 6/6/22) until next meeting with notification made by Ashley Stephens to the applicant that if application is withdrawn prior to next meeting and no additional work is done on the property, the additional application fee will be waived by the commission. ***Seconded** by Stuart Peaslee. ***The motion passed unanimously.**

6. New Applications

- a. 06-22-25- Jeremy Neurath- 24 beaver Dam- fix erosion, removal of trees & stumps
 - i. Jeremy Nuerath is present to represent this application. He will provide site plan and required documentation for this project.
 - ii. Marla Butts stated that there is no site plan and not enough information sufficient to render a decision at this time. Proper distance from water and sediment control plan is required for Ashely Stephens to render agent approval.
 - iii. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to allow approval for 06-22-25- Jeremy Neurath- 24 beaver Dam- fix erosion, removal of trees & stumps by the Wetland Agent providing site plan with land disturbance area and erosion controls is presented. ***Seconded** by Bill Rewinski. ***The motion passed unanimously.**
- b. Timber Harvest Notification- Austin Harmon – MBLU: 5173-02-29E Pole Bridge Rd
 - i. It was noted that Hull Forrest Products should inform staff to use correct notification form for the Town of Woodstock.
 - ii. Marla Butts asked what plan was for water crossing on the property
 - 1. Austin stated that the stream is completely dry at this time. If crossing of water is needed, mats and corduroy will be used. Timeframe for this project is one month.
 - iii. Marla noted that numbers should be assigned for timber harvest notifications by the Town of Woodstock for reference purposes.
 - iv. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to approve Timber Harvest Request- Austin Harmon – MBLU: 5173-02-29E Pole Bridge Rd as notified. ***Seconded** by Stuart Peaslee. ***The motion passed unanimously.**
- c. Timber Harvest Notification- Jeffery Hallowell- MBLU: 5783-69-08- Rocky Hill Rd; MBLU 6391-69-13A- Cutler Hill Rd; MBLU: 6391-69-14- Cutler Hill Rd
 - i. Marla asked if water was flowing though notated streams at this time. Micheal Barlett stated that some are completely dry and other will be bridged regardless of flow at time of crossing. Michael also noted that there is a wetland feature on Rocky Hill side of property that will not be accessed during this harvest.
 - ii. Bill Rewinski made a ***Motion** to approve the timber harvest for Timber Harvest Notification- Jeffery Hallowell- MBLU: 5783-69-08- Rocky Hill Rd; MBLU 6391-69-13A- Cutler Hill Rd; MBLU: 6391-69-14- Cutler Hill Rd. ***Seconded** by Stuart Peaslee. ***The motion passed unanimously.**
- d. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to move the agenda item of citizens comments ahead of administrative

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business for this meeting. ***Seconded** by bill Rewinski. ***The motion passed unanimously.**

7. Citizen's Comments

- a. Michael Kelly shared that there is a pond on the border of his property that had gone dry in 2020 and is currently dry again. He wants to repair the pond to normal state to benefit wildlife. There is an existing concrete structure with boards to adjust pond the level but nature has eroded a different path for water flow over time and causes the pond to empty.
 - i. Marla noted that work was done in the past to the embankment. She feels that this change could be the cause of the new outflow. Marla suggests that an engineer look at this pond to determine ideal capacity for the pond and create an engineered solution.
 - ii. Marla suggested to reach out to ECCD to see if there is any assistance available. DEEP will not need to be involved. An engineer can design the armored embankment and spillway for the pond.

8. Administrative Business

- a. Review permit application for use of pesticides in state waters – Stehlik – 294 Route 198
 - i. Notification received.
- b. Agent Sign Offs
 - i. Multiple sign offs presented to commissioners for review.
- c. Review /Revise IWWA forms
 - i. Marla suggested layout changes on the permitted use form. Ashley Stephens will make the form adjustments.
 - ii. There is still a Section 7 and 8 reference on forms without clarity of what document it should reference. Ashley Stephens will make the suggested changes to the forms.
 - iii. It was suggested to add submission date to application number block and include fee payment amount & date in the block as well.
- d. Review Ordinance Concerning IWWA
- e. Subdivision Regulations concerning Wetlands
 - i. Data requested at previous meeting has been provided to the commission for reference and review.

9. Adjournment

- a. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to adjourn. ***Seconded** by Bill Rewinski. **The motion passed unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Amy Monahan, Recording Secretary. DISCLAIMER: These minutes have not yet been approved by the IWWA. Please refer to next month's meeting for approval/amendments.