



Woodstock Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency
Meeting Minutes
Monday – October 2, 2023
held virtually 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 video recording of this meeting suffered a technological failure.
The audio recording of the meeting is available in the Selectmen's Office.***

I. The call to order by Chair Mark Parker was at 7:08 PM

II. Roll Call: Members- Mark Parker, William Rewinski, Stuart Peaslee (alternate).
First Selectman/Ex Officio Member Jay Swan. Marla Butts was absent.
Acting Recording Secretary Dotti Durst

III. Appointment of Alternates: Chair M. Parker seated Alternate Stuart Peaslee

IV. Action on the minutes of the previous meeting:

Motion to table by R. Rewinski, seconded by S. Peaslee carried unanimously.

V. Pending Applications

a. 09-23-02 – 94 Plaine Hill Road/Woodstock Inn Associates/Subdivision & (2) new houses
At the previous meeting: a need for clarification of the Soils Scientist's credentials was expressed as well as a need for an updated State Reporting Form. Clarification received: D. Malo displayed Mr. Riberdy's credentials on a shared-screen for all to view. He has all the required credentials but has not paid dues to the Soils Scientist Society and is thus not on their list. Pete Parent, Engineer/CME Associates, clarified the State Report as incorrectly indicating municipal sewer when it will actually be a septic system. He added that the plans are unchanged for clearing around the well (which is located at the perimeter of the Upland Review area) therefore with minimal impacts on the parcel.

Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to accept application 09-23-02 at 94 Plaine Hill Road/Woodstock Inn Associates (Subdivision & construction of two new houses) for consideration at the next IWWA meeting, with the stipulation that the updated State Reporting form be provided before any decision is made, carried unanimously.

b. 09-23-03 – 14 Loyola Road Extension/Mike Deyorio/Rip-Rap, mucking, & beach sand; the applicant re-stated the goal, confirming that nothing has changed since last meeting.

Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to approve application 09-23-03 at 14 Loyola Road Extension/Mike Deyorio to install Riprap, perform mucking, & adding beach sand as presented carried unanimously.

c. 09-23-05 – 234 West Quasset Rd/Brian Scagliola/Deck, Dock, and Beach: Last month the request was made 1). to show the location of the mucking field and 2). Show the soil erosion 400-500 feet down-slope to the waterfront. The applicant provided information that a skid-steer will be used on a zig-zag pathway minimizing likelihood of erosion down the slope, and the muck which is picked up will come up-slope into the garden, south of the clearing about 500 feet. The Lake Association president suggested a facebook post to

inform the neighborhood about the proposed project, which generated only positive comments. It was agreed that a skid steer will minimize possible erosion. The owner was asked to confirm that sideways grading of the slope to direct water will be provided and that no ruts will remain at project completion.

Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to approve application 09-23-05 at 234 West Quasset Rd/Brian Scagliola for Deck, Dock, and Beach work, performed with the updated information provided, including remediation at the project's completion of the skid steer's path, carried unanimously.

VI. New Applications

- a. 09-23-06 - 399 Roseland Park Road/Michael Grenier/Swale & grading within Wetlands. D. Malo and S. Peaslee have examined the site. The proposed earth movement was measured with a rolling device to be certain of the accuracy of the plan. Noting that Mr. Grenier had been informed that his application would come to the attention of the IWWA at about 8 PM (and it being 7:27 PM with Mr. Grenier not yet in attendance) application 09-23-06 was temporarily set aside.

- b. 09-23-07 - 305 Crystal Pond Road/David Barlow/Pavilion within Upland Review Area: the Lake Association plans to construct a 26' X 36' pavilion to include a concrete patio between the dining hall and the Lakeside, which was reviewed. W. Rewinski noted there will be no wetlands impacts; he assumes the contractor will correctly install silt fencing. M. Parker: the Lake Association itself is applying, making it a possible Recreational Use. **Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to approve application 09-23-07 at 305 Crystal Pond Road/David Barlow for a Pavilion within the Upland Review Area as a Wetlands Agent Approval carried unanimously.**

- c. 09-23-08 - 2 Big Horn Lane/Madelyn Straub/Re-construction of existing lake wall: W. Rewinski asked about the abutter to the north and about the proposed dock. S. Peaslee asked about a cross-section engineer's drawing. **Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to accept application 09-23-08 at 2 Big Horn Lane/Madelyn Straub for re-construction of an existing lake wall carried unanimously.**

VI. a 09-23-06 (Continued at 7:40 PM with Mr. Grenier in attendance) - 399 Roseland Park Road/Michael Grenier/Swale & grading within Wetlands: The September 28 site walk by D. Malo, M. Parker, and S. Peaslee was reviewed. The map is accurate. It was confirmed to be a re-grade of a section of the parcel (not an excavation) resulting in an 18-25' wide swale; material being moved will be used to fill an existing hole. The area is a hayfield (an agricultural use) and the water's intrusion makes it un-usable. The work will take place next year, probably in the summer after the area dries. S. Peaslee noted the site walk was to observe the scope of the work; the plan is to grade the field, so the slope directs the overflowing water back to Muddy Brook. Mr. Grenier is to inform D. Malo when work on the parcel is beginning.

Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to approve, as an Agricultural Exemption, application 09-23-06 at 399 Roseland Park Road/Michael Grenier for the creation of a Swale & Grading within Wetlands, fee waived, carried unanimously.



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* Mr. Grenier noted that it took a significant period of time for the IWWA to reach this decision. Chair M. Parker stated that, yes, the Agency is required to do its due diligence, to be certain of the proposed activity and to evaluate possible resulting impacts.

*Mr. Grenier added comments about the history of the parcel and the issues that have arisen over the years, as well as how they were administered. Members of the IWWA, after extended discussion with Mr. Grenier, felt it appropriate to look back at the sequence of events, at the big picture. D. Malo can contact Mr. Grenier to set up another site walk. Chair M. Parker will create a document detailing the situation for the Board of Selectmen, at the suggestion of First Selectman Jay Swan, who was in attendance.

VII. Administrative Business:

a. Dan Malo will create a proposed IWWA 2024 meeting schedule for IWWA review.

VIII. Citizens' Comments:

* David Barlow arrived at the meeting after his agenda item (09-23-07) offering to add any further information. D. Malo noted the approval, which is conditioned by a 15-day appeal period; the applicant may begin prep work on his project. D. Barlow thanked the IWWA.

*D. Malo will check historic records regarding the Grenier property at the Town Hall and at the NDDH; some records have been purged per Statute, however.

* S. Peaslee suggests creating a timeline in order to see the big picture and document all available facts.

* W. Rewinski asked for confirmation from J. Swan regarding S. Peaslee's suggestion to mention the issue to Killingly Engineering Associates, as Normand Theriault and he are meeting on another subject. J. Swan concurred.

* J. Swan agreed the IWWA should bring the matter to the BOS, probably on the November agenda. R. Rewinski is asked to detail the issues, as it appears that procedural mistakes in how the property was handled over the years were made. Chair M. Parker was asked to review the summary of events and send an email to the BOS.

* J. Swan asked D. Malo if Mr. Grenier submitted the documents which he referenced; D. Malo had not seen them.

IX. Adjournment:

Motion W. Rewinski seconded by S. Peaslee to adjourn carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM by Chair M. Parker.

Respectfully submitted by Dotti Durst, Acting Recording Secretary *Dorothy Durst*

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