

Inland Wetlands & Watercourse Agency

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, April 4, 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 view at <https://youtu.be/TibGIAMwjlU>

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairman Mark Parker called meeting to order at 7:15 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 George & Carolyn Looby, Jim Pioppi, Randy & Karen LeBeau, Lucy Jolie and Norman Thibeault.

3. Appointment of Alternates

- a. Stuart Peaslee seated

4. Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. Regular Meeting March 7, 2022

- i. From the meeting minutes on March 7, 2022, the commission recommends changing the following-

- 1. Item 6.b.iv – Change the “and” to “an” in the following statement- “Marla Butts requests and engineer certify”
 - 2. Item 2 and Item 6.a.iii- the correct spelling of last name for Larry is Acquarulo
 - 3. Item 6.a.v- length of time needs to be added to the last sentence so that it reads “This application will be revisited when re-submitted by James Bentley to be within 90 days of the withdrawal date.”
 - 4. Item 6.e.v- The motion made by Marla Butts should be to approve application and should read “Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to approve application 12-21-14- Morris Lewis – Hemlock Dr, 34 Lot 68- new home construction as shown on plans titled Site Development Plan – Single Family Residence, 10 Hemlock Drive prepared for Morris Lewis, prepared by Rob Hellstrom Land Surveying LLC, dated revised 01/12/22 with the condition that an engineer certify the Quick 4 installation of infiltration system meets manufacturer specifications and that the certification be sent to the IWWA for the file.”

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- ii. Bill Rewinski made a ***Motion** to accept minutes of March 7, 2022 Regular Meeting as revised above. ***Seconded** by Marla Butts. ***The motion passed unanimously.**

5. Pending Applications

- a. 01-22-04- George & Carolyn Looby- 534 Senexet Rd- clean existing farm pond (received 2/7/22)
 - i. Marla Butts referenced the submitted plan and its proposed location for a turbidity curtain. The location on the plan is inappropriate for a turbidity curtain as they are not to be installed across a channel flow. She recommends moving the turbidity curtain to the exit flow area within the pond and that work be done in low flow season. Jim Pioppi agrees with Marla's suggestion.
 - ii. Bill Rewinski asked if the direction of water flow around the area of work would require materials to be brought into site. Jim Pioppi stated that the materials used would be materials already on site.
 - iii. Jim Pioppi anticipates the work for this project to take approximately 2 days.
 - iv. Bill Rewinski asked if this application could be approved under agricultural exemption. Marla Butts agree that it could be used for agricultural exemption or for non-regulated use as outlined in section 4.2 of IWWA regulations.
 - v. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to approve application 01-22-04- George & Carolyn Looby- 534 Senexet Rd- clean existing farm pond (received 2/7/22) for cleaning of existing ¼ acre pond as non-regulated use under the provision of conservation of soil and water. ***Seconded** by Bill Rewinski. ***The motion passed unanimously.**
- b. 02-22-07- Francis & Lucy Jolie- Indian Spring Rd (MBLU:5787-34-144W)- new home construction (received 3-7-22)
 - i. Representative for the applicant is present at this meeting. Norm Thibeault of Killingly Engineering Associates stated that NDDH has approved the septic design for this lot.
 - ii. Marla Butts requested the approval from NDDH and revised plan with correct lake labels and lot number be submitted.
 - iii. Ashley Stephens noted for the record that she did send an email to Norm Thibeault with outline of requested information.
 - iv. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to table this application until requested information is available at the May Meeting. ***Seconded** by Bill Rewinski. ***The motion passed unanimously.**
- c. 03-22-09- Randy & Karen LeBeau- 15 Laurel Hill Drive- construct stone lake wall (received 3-7-22)
 - i. The requested drawing was submitted to the commission.
 - ii. Bill Rewinski asked if stone was being purchased or if using existing stone. Randy LeBeau stated that stone would be brought in for the project.
 - iii. Marla Butts suggested using a silt fence as needed to keep construction activities from clean water level. She has no issues approving application as presented in the new drawing.
 - iv. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to approve the application to be completed according to amended plan submitted. ***Seconded** by Bill Rewinski. ***The motion passed unanimously.**

6. New Applications

- a. None

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7. Administrative Business

- a. Engineered Report from Joseph Polulech for 155 Paine Rd
 - i. Bill Rewinski has submitted a site report including pictures for this location.
 - ii. Marla Butts asked if the First Selectmen has seen Mr. Polulech's report. Ashley Stephens said that she has not gotten a response from the First Selectman but has spoken with Highway Foreman John Navarro. Marla noted the amount of work proposed on the town road in different phases of work. She feels the Wetlands Commission has no more authority on this location and that work going forward is a civil matter between owner and town to decide work to be done and funding for the work to be done.
 - iii. The IWWA Commission feels it would behoove the Town of Woodstock, either through the Highway Department or Selectmen, to pursue a solution the present drainage and erosion concerns on Paine Road.
- b. Review/Revise IWWA forms & By-Laws
 - i. Bill Rewinski asked to address the Planning & Zoning Meeting concerns for the Flynn property on Joy Road. The map given to the IWWA was incomplete and a watercourse was not shown on the map. The Planning & Zoning questioned if the IWWA decision would remain with the newly noted watercourse. Bill Rewinski has no concerns with additional information and Ashley Stephens was comfortable with the sign off. Marla Butts agrees with Ashley and Bill that it still qualifies for Agent Approval. Bill noted the line on the short form that deals with accuracy of information and being able to revoke declaration. This line is not on long form. Marla Butts noted that it is the regulation that allows revoke/suspension and not having the line on a form does not affect the authority of the commission. Marla Butts does feel that if the line is present on the short form, it should be present on the long form as well and it is a smart choice to have reference present on the applications.
 - ii. Ashley Stephens created new forms based on the discussion at previous meeting and submitted them to the commission for review.
 - 1. Marla Butts suggested a box or specific location for receipt date of applications.
 - 2. Marla Butts wants the level of detail needed for site plans to be better described depending on the nature of the application (i.e. when more than a hand drawing is required).
 - 3. Marla Butts would like it standard that all wetlands must be delineated by a qualified soil scientist and appropriate plans prepared by professional engineer with documentation of the soil scientist who delineated wetlands be submitted for all work done in wetlands.
 - 4. Marla Butts will look into statute requirements for the listing of required certifications for application forms.
 - 5. Marla Butts requested that revision of IWWA forms be tabled until next meeting in order to further review created documents.
 - iii. Marla Butts request that Order of Business on agendas be corrected to match the voted agenda order from 2019.

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- iv. Marla Butts will update a revised draft of membership ordinance pertaining to the number of members of the commission for the next meeting.
- v. Conflict of Interest and Disqualification of Quorum will further be investigated for discussion at next meeting.
- c. Correspondence of Lake Treatment- Muddy Brook (200 Pond Factory Rd)
 - i. Notification for treatment has been sent to the Town of Woodstock IWWA.
 - 1. Bill Rewinski questioned if the stopping of outflow after treatment required in the notification is being completed or if testing is being done if flow has not been stopped. Marla Butts stated that the DEEP is supposed to monitor actions. The IWWA could request that report from the DEEP. Ashley Stephens will review files to see if any reports have been submitted to the Town of Woodstock.
 - 2. Bill Rewinski also asked who authorized the treatment of the pond (friends of muddy pond) and if the State of Massachusetts has also been notified as the pond extends into Massachusetts.

8. Citizen's Comments

- i. None

9. Adjournment

- a. Marla Butts made a ***Motion** to adjourn. ***Seconded** by Bill Rewinski. **The motion passed unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 8:58 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.

