

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013
TOWN HALL 7:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Bruce Burnett, Sue Ryan, Robert Orciari, Robert Wesneski, Don Prigitano, Victoria Elliott, Alternate Member Marie Etter and Alternate Member Tim Bobroske, Land Use Coordinator Polly Redmond and IWZEO David Perkins. Absent: Paul Whiton

1. OPEN MEETING – ESTABLISH QUORUM.

Chairman Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All regular members present are seated. M. Etter is seated for regular member Paul Whiton. Alternate Member T. Bobroske leaves at this time.

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 8/5/13

D. Prigitano **motioned** to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with amendments to page 1, item 3, paragraph 2, second line up from bottom to read, "the *western* (delete the word 'eastern') edge of the area, page 2, paragraph 2, line 3 to read, "... (2) that Protected Wetlands medallions be placed along the *western* (delete the word 'eastern') edge of the filled..." and page 3, item 6, paragraph 2 should read *David* Perkins not Dan. R. Wesneski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

3. JAMES GILLESPIE/FORESTLAND CONSULTANTS, LLC FOR ANDREW KASZNAY, 172 WHETSTONE ROAD – TIMBER HARVEST, SWIMMING HOLE ROAD.

Mr. Gillespie is present along with Mr. & Mrs. A. Kasznay. Mr. Gillespie explains that he had conducted a timber harvest on this property fifteen years ago and that this timber harvest will follow the same practice. Wetland activity along Lead Mine Brook will be avoided. Anything going into the brook will be immediately removed. Erosion control measures will be in place and no heavy equipment will be used in proximity of the brook. S. Ryan **motioned** to approve the application as a use of right for silviculture practice, seconded by R. Wesneski. Motion passed unanimously.

4. JARED BRADDOCK FOR PICKETT BROOK PROPERTY, LLC – APPLICATION TO CLEAR PORTION OF LAND AT 609 LITCHFIELD ROAD FOR ACCESSIBILITY TO CONDUCT SURVEY WORK.

Mr. Braddock is present and provides a copy of filed Map No. 1283 from the town clerk's office. He points out the area of a wetland crossing and proximate location of clearing thick brush (bamboo or possibly Japanese Knotweed) using a brush hog and skid steer in order to allow surveying to be done. The area would be 120 feet wide according to Mr. Braddock. R. Orciari suggests that clearing could be done with just a blade and done by hand and believes that there is no need for use of heavy equipment. Mr. Braddock explains that four hours was spent clearing just a path and questions whether it is suggested that further clearing should be done only by hand with R. Orciari answering, yes, that just a narrow line is needed and that possibly a chain saw could even be used. It is the consensus of the commission that no application is needed as work will only involve clearing of a small area by hand. Mr. Braddock is informed that notification to the Land Use office be given once work begins.

5. COMPLAINTS/ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS.

ALYSEN ALMAND, 401 BURLINGTON ROAD AGAINST FRED PESCE, E6-04-0010,
BURLINGTON ROAD

At this time, Chairman Burnett calls the Show Cause Hearing to order. Mr. & Mrs. Almand are present. Mr. Fred Pesce and Mr. Rick Pesce are also present at the request of IWZEO David Perkins' 8/29/13 Notice of Order to Cease and Correct and request to attend this hearing. The Order instructed Mr. Pesce to *take measures to stop siltation from existing the property to the west that involves placement of rip rap at the stream edge, grading, placing top soil and seeding above the bridge where erosion is taking place as well as downstream near the western border where erosion is also taking place.*

IWZEO Perkins will be meeting with Mr. Pesce on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the Pesce property to go over instructions and to make certain work has begun.

R. Wesneski **motioned** to continue the Show Cause Hearing to the next IWWC meeting on October 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the town hall, 100 Bentley Drive. D. Prigitano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

IWZEO Perkins informs the commission that he met with Robert Green, P.E., and Fred Pesce on August 21, 2013 at 529 Burlington Road to view property where filling has been done in the front of the property. He reports that some fill has been removed but basically the material has just been pushed around. Fred and Rick Pesce were instructed on what needs to be done which is to remove dirt so that it is level with the wetlands. IWZEO Perkins will also check on this area when he is at the property on 9/5/13. The commission gave Mr. Pesce until September 21, 2013 to complete the work which is subject to a Cease and Correct Order issued by former IWZEO Karen Nelson.

R. Wesneski **motioned** to add to the agenda James Buss, representing Lake Harwinton Association, seconded by D. Prigitano. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Buss reports of the deteriorating situation of Lake Harwinton due to rainy weather resulting in silt getting into the lake and also high concentrations of phosphorus from flow of streams into the lake. Treatment options are discussed as well as ways of educating members of the lake association on lake and lawn care.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

IWZEO David Perkin's report has been received concerning his 8/5/13 site visit to the Almand and Pesce property. All members of the commission have received a copy in the agenda mailing. DEEP has sent the Harwinton Lake Association notice that their Dam (#6604) requires maintenance.

8. INVOICES.

None.

9. ADJOURN.

D. Prigitano **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m., seconded by R. Wesneski. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Polly Redmond
Land Use Coordinator

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ON 9-9-13 AT 11:48AM
ATTEST NANCY E. ELDRIDGE TOWN CLERK