East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission
Land Use Office

Regular Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2021

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission was called to order by Ms. Augustiny at 7:34 PM at the Municipal Office Complex.

2. Attendance

Members Present: Mary Augustiny, Daniel Jahne, Jennifer Burton-Reeve
Members Absent:
Also Present: James Ventres (Land Use Administrator), Amy Clarke

3. Approval of Minutes

Page 3, first paragraph, add a word, "To obtain more living space, they would like to add on a bedroom and a bathroom on the *north* side of the home."

A motion was made by Ms. Burton-Reeve to accept the minutes from the September 21, 2021, meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.

4. Bills

No bills.

5. Field Inspection Report

Four field inspections were conducted on October 18th, with Ms. Augustiny, Ms. Burton-Reeve and Mr. Ventres in attendance – 32 Forest Way the Clarke property, Glimmer Glenn, property of the Lake Association, 34 Glimmer Glen the Lally property and 3 East Shore the Aitoro property.

Field inspections will move to Sunday mornings given that it is getting darker earlier now.

6. Site Plan Review

a. #W21-14 – 41 Main Street, East Haddam, William Mascolo & Janet Whaley (applicants), construction of an addition. Map 017, Lot 014.

The owners asked Mr. Ventres to continue the application to the next meeting as they are meeting with the historic commission.

Motion by Mr. Jahne to continue the application until the next meeting, #W21-14 – 41 Main Street, East Haddam, William Mascolo & Janet Whaley (applicants), construction of an addition. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

b. #W21-15 – 32 Forest Way, East Haddam, Douglas & Amy Clarke (property owners), Construct a 13' x 13' patio with percolation through permeable paver. Map 080, Lot 329.

Property was visited during the Monday, Oct. 18th, field inspection. The pavers are like the ones that are installed outside the municipal office building which allows the water to drain in between the pavers instead of running off into other areas.

Ms. Clarke provided an overview of the project. Ms. Augustiny asked if the removed topsoil to be filled in, she asked where it will be spread. Ms. Clarke noted it will be placed on the side of the house. Ms. Augustiny asked Mr. Ventres for his opinion for a need for a silt fence; Mr. Ventres noted that the project is not a full day's project, so the topsoil will be spread and will have seed and mulch placed on top of it.

Mr. Jahne asked for clarification on the spaces denoted on the map which were related to space to the property line and space to the road.

Motion by Ms. Burton-Reeve to approve application #W21-15 – 32 Forest Way, East Haddam, Douglas & Amy Clarke (property owners), Construct a 13' x 13' patio with percolation through permeable pavers, with a picture of the job when completed. Second by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.

7. Open Space Endorsement Letter for East Haddam Land Trust Open Space Grant Application for Diana Sanders Property – 68 Acres, Honey Hill & Hedlund Roads

The East Haddam Land Trust is submitting a grant for the Diana Sanders property which includes the fault that is off Hedlund Road. It is contiguous to the Fox Hopyard Golf Course and there is also a connection to newly acquired Lyme open space. It does connect into the Roaring Book watershed and the Eight Mile River watershed. The EHLT is looking for a letter of support to the DEEP from the IWWC. Mr. Ventres already has received letters of support from several other commissions. Ms. Augustiny noted the neighbors are all in favor of this property becoming open space.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny that IWWC send a letter of support to the DEEP supporting the East Haddam Land Trust (the Diane Sanders Property) for open space purposes. The property is part of the Eight Mile River Watershed and is nearby to other open space properties. Seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.

8. IWWC Enforcement Officer's Report

Mr. Ventres noted that the statues have been changed, and the cost charge has to be attributed to the cost of the application. The way the regulation is worded is that anything left from the fee goes back to the developer. There is a set fee for IWWC, and Mr. Ventres noted that he is getting the Town attorney to review what is currently in place. IWWC is set up in a tiered system, so Mr. Ventres feels the fees may be fine as they are noted. There is no need for a Town meeting to increase the fees since the ordinance reads "As appropriate to cover costs associated with the application".

9. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Jahne to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon A. Goyette
Recording Secretary