East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission
Land Use Office

Regular Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2022

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission was called to order by Mr. Dill at 7:31 PM at the Municipal Office Complex.

2. Attendance

Members Present: Randolph Dill, Mary Augustiny, Daniel Jahne, Jennifer Burton-Reeve
Members Absent: Bryan Goff
Also Present: James Ventres (Land Use Administrator), Thom Delventhal

3. Approval of Minutes

July 19, 2022 minutes:
Under 8. 4th paragraph down: Modified the sentence to read, "..the bottom of the sub-division was transferred to the Nature Conservancy…" to make it read better.

A motion by Mr. Dill to approve the July 19, 2022, minutes as amended. Seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

August 16, 2022 minutes:
Under 7. Wetlands Permit Review, section b. change *Mr*. Burton-Reeve to *Ms*. Burton-Reeve.
Under 9. Change *basis* to *basin*.

A motion by Ms. Augustiny to approve the August 16, 2022, minutes as amended. Seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved. Mr. Dill and Mr. Jahne abstained.

4. Bills

No bills.

5. Field Inspection Report

A field inspection was conducted on September 14, 2022, visiting two sites: 74 Smith Road and 70 Clark Gates Road. In attendance were Mr. Dill, Ms. Augustiny, Ms. Burton-Reeve, and Mr. Ventres. Mr. Jahne was able to join the field inspection at the 2nd site.

6. Wetlands Permit Review

a. W22-07 -Hopyard Road, Town of East Haddam – Redirection of the stream to the original bed.

Mr. Ventres talked with Mr. Curtis who will provide a diagram that shows the CT DOT and East Haddam Land Trust to show the plan for the culvert replacement. CT DOT and East Haddam Land Trust would like to see the plan but are comfortable with the approach.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to continue the application W22-07 -Hopyard Road, Town of East Haddam – Redirection of the stream to the original bed. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

b. #W22-15 – 74 Smith Road. Unit #4 (property location), Richard & Paula Robinson (applicant & property owner). Proposed installation of a holding tank. Map 049, Lot 009.

Mr. Ventres noted this is a holding tank at Wildwood at Bashan Lake and the installation of a small bathroom. Mr. Curtis did the drawing for Wildwood and that is part of the application. It is being built away from the lake. The only issue is related to running into stones and roots.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to continue the application #W22-15 – 74 Smith Road. Unit #4 (property location), Richard & Paula Robinson (applicant & property owner). Proposed installation of a holding tank. Map 049, Lot 009. Second by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.

c. #W22-16 – 70 Clark Gates Road, Roger and Patricia McNelly (applicant & property owner), construction of a driveway crossing for agricultural equipment. Map 74, Lot 54.

Mr. Ventres was able to put together a map of the area including Apple Lane, and provided it to Mr. Curtis to add in the diagrams of the pipe in the road. The pipe in the road already is 24" and Mr. Curtis noted that 24" should be used as well. Mr. Ventres will let the applicant know that he needs to put in at least a 24" pipe. Mr. Dill asked if 2 smaller pipes could be installed; Mr. Ventres will ask Mr. Curtis if 2 pipes would work. The crossing is primarily drainage that is being dealt with, although there are wetlands mapped out on the sub-division plans and the school property as well. There is no watercourse but sheet flow as it is a large area. There used to be a pond that has filled in over time. Mr. Ventres noted that there is about 35 acres of watershed that needs to be addressed.

Motion by Ms. Augustiny to continue the application #W22-16 – 70 Clark Gates Road, Roger and Patricia McNelly (applicant & property owner), construction of a driveway crossing for agricultural equipment. Map 74, Lot 54. Second by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

7. IWWC Enforcement Officer's Report – Set field inspection date to review East Haddam Fish & Game Property

Mr. Ventres noted that for that length of walk needed to review the East Haddam Fish and Game property, the walk must be scheduled on a Sunday. There was discussion at a prior meeting to conduct the walk in the winter. Ms. Augustiny suggested conducting the walk in November. At the October meeting, the date for the walk will be chosen. Mr. Ventres will let

the East Haddam Fish & Game Club know to expect a walk scheduled for a Sunday in November.
Mr. Ventres noted that Mr. Curtis is almost complete with the East Haddam Colchester Turnpike drawing for the causeway work. Mr. Curtis will also provide a drawing for Beebe Road and the work being proposed there.
Mr. Ventres received photos for the work completed on 155 Lake Shore Drive.
Mr. Ventres also noted that the basin out at Lake Hayward has been seeded by the Association. Lake Hayward received 7" of rain recently and the seeding is taking hold nicely.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Augustiny to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon A. Goyette
Recording Secretary