

**East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission  
Land Use Office**

**Special Meeting Minutes  
April 21, 2020**

**1. Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission was called to order by Mr. Dill at the Municipal Office Building.

**2. Attendance**

**Members Present:** Randolph Dill (chairman), Mary Augustiny, Jennifer Burton-Reeve, and Daniel Jahne

**Members Absent:** Bryan Goff

**Also Present:** James Ventres (Land Use Administrator), and Rob Smith (First Selectman)

**3. Approval of Minutes**

*Motion by Ms. Augustiny to accept the minutes from the February 18, 2020 meeting as presented. The motion seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.*

**4. Bills**

*Motion by Ms. Augustiny to pay the two bills listed below. The motion seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeves and unanimously approved.*

- **East Haddam News - \$31.00**
- **Halloran & Sage - \$74.00**

**5. Field Inspection Report**

None held this month.

**6. Wetlands Permit Review**

- a. Continued - #W20-01 – Neptune Avenue, Town of East Haddam, replace damaged bridge.**

**First Date: February 18, 2020**

**Last Date: April 22, 2020**

The commission reviewed the plans prepared by WMC Consulting Engineers dated October 24, 2019 and the Environmental Specifications Report supplied to the commission via email on April 20, 2020. The report included erosion control measures, water handling procedures, and best management practices. It was also pointed out that inspections on erosion control measures would be conducted weekly and after every rain occurrence of .1 inch or more of rain.

It was noted that all commission members in attendance inspected the property in March.

*A motion was made by Ms. Augustiny to approve application #W20-01 based on the plans submitted that are dated October 24, 2019, and the supplemental report from WMC Engineering. The motion was seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeves and unanimously approved.*

- b. Continued - #W20-05 – EH Colchester Turnpike (Moodus Reservoir), reinforcement of road edge to prevent further wave action damage on the East Haddam Colchester Turnpike causeway.**

**First Date: February 18, 2020**

**Last Date: April 22, 2020**

Chairman Dill stated he expected more with this application including but not limited to a complete application, a better site plan, width and length of material to be deposited, and a narrative to describe the construction procedures, and public safety needs. He said that he was willing to draft a letter explaining what he expected in a complete application. The commission members agreed.

*A motion was made by Chairman Dill to deny application #W20-05 without prejudice as it is incomplete. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jahne and unanimously approved.*

## **7. IWWC Enforcement Officer's Report**

Mr. Ventres stated that the Lakeside Dan's water issues have not been resolved but he is monitoring it weekly.

The commission discusses whether there was a need to temporarily authorize the Wetlands agent to issue permits for activities in the upland review area as allowed in the Connecticut General Statutes Section 22a-42g (c) (2). It was decided to wait on this at this time and to see what case load develops.

Mark Knittel, the IT Manager for the Town of East Haddam, explained how future meetings could be operated via Zoom conference calls. The commission members agreed that field inspections were an important aspect of reviewing application. It was decided to wait and see what applications were received.

## **8. Adjournment**

*Motion by Ms. Burton-Reeves to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Augustiny and unanimously approved.*