East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission
Land Use Office

Regular Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2024

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the East Haddam Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission was called to order by Mr. Dill at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Office Complex.

2. Attendance

Members Present: Randolph Dill, Mary Augustiny, Jennifer Burton-Reeve, David Walls
Members Absent: Bryan Goff, Daniel Jahne
Also Present: James Ventres (Land Use Administrator), Carol and Shawn Amell

3. Approval of Minutes

6. b. Changed "Mr. Goff asked her to confirm the specifications *from the lake*." to "Mr. Goff asked her to confirm the specifications *of the deck*."
6. f. Changed "It is 33 feet and 10 inches wide and about 16 *inches* deep." to "It is 33 feet and 10 inches wide and about 16 *foot* deep."
6. f. Changed *data* in the motion to *date.*
7. a. Storm damage to Town Roads: Clarification to include Beebe Road on the next Field Walk agenda and invite the Town Engineer to have a discussion on what can and needs to be done there.

A motion by Mr. Walls to approve the March 19, 2024, minutes as amended. Seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve, and unanimously approved.

4. Bills

No bills.

5. Field Inspection Report

No field walk held.

6. Wetlands Permit Review

a. #W22-19 – East Shore drive (property location), Town of East Haddam (property owner), proposed culvert replacement.

Mr. Ventres noted that the Dutch and Associate Engineer reviewed the Nathan L. Jacobsen report comments. The comments noted that the structural details are preliminary until Public Works starts to work on the project. There is no final design right now. Mr. Ventres suggested tabling the project until there is funding to address the project at which time a final plan can be submitted.

Motion by Mr. Dill to table the application until final plan submitted and funding secured for #W22-19 – East Shore drive (property location), Town of East Haddam (property owner), proposed culvert replacement. Seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved. *Note: application will remain on the agenda until it is funded.*

b. #W24-13 – 46 Glimmer Glenn Road (LH), (property location), Shawn and Carol Amell (applicant and property owners), Map 80, Lot 344. Proposed sand to enclosed area on beach access.

If the homeowners get the permit from IWWC, they have access to cross the beach and remove the current sand that is there to another location. They can then replace the sand with new sand.

Motion by Mr. Wall to approve the application for #W24-13 – 46 Glimmer Glenn Road (LH), (property location), Shawn and Carol Amell (applicant and property owners), Map 80, Lot 344. Proposed sand to enclosed area on beach access, per plan dated April 16, 2024 and pictures to be provided to the Land Use Office upon completion. Seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

c. #W24-14 – 6 Hilltop Road (MR), James Bailes and Rebek Scalia, Map 66, Lot 361 proposed gazebo in the upland review area.

Mr. Ventres provided an overview of the project. It is a 12 foot diameter gazebo that is at the owner's mother's house, that they want to move. A field walk is needed.

Motion by Mr. Dill to schedule a field walk for the application for #W24-14 – 6 Hilltop Road (MR), James Bailes and Rebek Scalia, Map 66, Lot 361 proposed gazebo in the upland review area. Seconded by Ms. Burton-Reeve and unanimously approved.

7. IWWC Enforcement Officer's Report

Mr. Ventres updated the work that Ernie Thode completed over by the boat launch on Moodus Reservoir. The wall is done and he is working on Mr. Vesalak's project next door now. The first project is now completed.

a. Storm damage to town roads

Mr. Dill requested that there be a sub-bullet added to the agenda and minutes to ensure Beebe Road does not get forgotten about

b. Proposed forestry regulations

Mr. Ventres provided an explanation as to why forestry regulations are now on the IWWC agenda. Statutorily forestry regulations do not fall under the jurisdiction of Planning and Zoning but under IWWC. Mr. Ventres provided his feedback and recommendation on buffers and disturbances. He suggested that the current version be reviewed and revised and then provided to the State for their review and feedback. He noted that with the revised regulations,

any typical forestry application would have to come to the Land Use Officer who would review and then determine if there is a need for an IWWC application and permit. Mr. Dill asked Mr. Ventres to make the changes he recommended and then provide an updated version for the IWWC to review.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Burton-Reeve to adjourn the meeting at 8:07pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walls and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon A. Goyette
Recording Secretary