

Inland Wetlands Commission

Regular Meeting

MINUTES

August 26, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Via Zoom Video Conference

Members Present: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bedini, Mr. LaMuniere, Ms. Branson, Mr. Gendron, Alt.

Members Absent: Mr. Papsin

Staff Present: Ms. White, Mr. Tsacoyannis

Public Present: Mr. Neff, Ms. Zinkausaus, Mr. Moore, Mr. Szymanski, Ms. Cone Gorham, Mr. DiRienzo, Mr. Charles

Call to Order:

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Members Seated: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bedini, Ms. Branson, Mr. Gendron, Alt.

Consideration of the Minutes (0:31):

Regular Meeting Minutes: 7-22-2020:

Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 8-12-2020, by Mr. Bedini, seconded by Ms. Branson, passed by 4-0.

Special Meeting Minutes: 8-18-2020 – Site Visit Inspection Submitted by Mr. Bennett – A.H. Howland for Bramson/280-284 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-40:

Motion: To approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 8-18-2020 – Site Visit Inspection Report submitted by Mr. Bennett for A. H. Howland for Bramson/280-284 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-40, by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Ms. Branson, passed by 4-0 vote.

Special Meeting Minutes: 8-18-2020 – Site Visit Inspection Submitted by Mr. LaMuniere - A.H. Howland for Bramson/270 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-42:

Motion: To approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 8-18-2020 – Site Visit Inspection Report submitted by Mr. LaMuniere for A.H. Howland representing Bramson/270 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Exemption #IW-20-42, by Ms. Branson, seconded by Mr. Gendron, passed by 4-0 vote.

Special Meeting Minutes: 8-18-2020 – Site Inspection Report Submitted by Mr. Gendron – A.H. Howland for VanVeen/41 East St/Application for Permit #IW-20-43:

Motion: To approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 8-18-2020 – Site Visit Inspection Report submitted by Mr. Gendron for A. H. Howland representing VanVeen/41 East St/Application for Permit #IW-20-

43/Construct inground pool and pool house w/associated appurtenances within review area, by Ms. Branson, seconded by Mr. Gendron, passed by 4-0 vote.

Subsequent Business (02:55):

Motion: To add item D. under New Applications for to be Received by the Commission – Glover/63 Wykeham Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-47/Site Improvements within review area, by Ms. Branson, seconded by Mr. Gendron, passed by 4-0.

Pending Applications:

Seated: Mr. Bennett, Mr. LaMuniere, Mr. Bedini, Ms. Branson, Mr. Gendron, Alt.

A.H. Howland for Bramson/280-284 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-40/ replace accessory building, septic, parking & associated appurtenances within review area (04:18):

Mr. Szymanski was present to represent the property owners.

It was noted that a revised Proposed Site Development & Soil Erosion Control Plan, dated 8/26/2020, was submitted showing a shift in the location of the leaching field for the septic system to the right to save the 36" maple tree. Mr. Szymanski stated they will be removing the two hickory trees closer to the proposed structure.

There were no further questions from the IWC.

Motion: To approve the application submitted by A.H. Howland for Bramson for the property located at 280-284 Nettleton Hollow Rd for Application for Permit #IW-20-40 to replace accessory building, septic, parking & associated appurtenances within review area per map titled "Proposed Site Development & Soil Erosion Control Plan for Receiving Barn," dated April 13,2020 with a revision date of 8/26/2020, prepared for Edward J. Bramson, by Arthur H. Howland & Associates, PC along with the application dated 7-20-2020 and supporting documents, this permit is valid for two (2) years and is subject to the following conditions: 1. that the Land Use Office be notified 48 hours prior to the commencement of work so the Wetlands Enforcement Officer can inspect and approve the erosion control measures, 2. that the property owner give the contractor a copies of both the motion of approval and approved plans prior to the commencement of work, and 3. any changes to the plans as approved must be submitted to the Commission for review. The Commission has determined that there is no reasonable probability of significant adverse impact on any wetlands or watercourses, by Ms. Branson, seconded by Mr. LaMuniere, passed by 5-0 vote.

A.H. Howland for Bramson/270 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Exemption #IW-20-41E/Construction of a horse barn (11:43):

Mr. Szymanski was present to represent the property owner for this application.

The Commissioners discussed and agreed that the Inland Wetlands Commission does not have jurisdiction over the activity described in the request for an Exemption #IW-20-41E.

Exemption #IW-20-41E was granted by a vote of 5-0.

A.H. Howland for Bramson/270 Nettleton Hollow Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-42/crossing intermittent watercourses associated with farming (13:42):

Mr. Szymanski was present to represent the property owner for this application. He explained how this activity is a regulated activity because it is work being performed directly in a watercourse.

The Commissioners did not have any further questions or comments.

Motion: To approve the application submitted by A. H. Howland for Bramson for the property located at 270 Nettleton Hollow Rd for Permit #IW-20-42 for crossing of intermittent watercourses associated with farming per the application dated August 5, 2020, the supporting documents and the plan titled "Proposed Site Development Plan Horse Barn," prepared for Edward J. Bramson, by Arthur H. Howland & Associates, dated August 5, 2020, sheet SD.3, this permit is valid for five (5) years with the following conditions: 1. that the Land Use Office be notified 48 hours prior to the commencement of work so the Wetlands Enforcement Officer can inspect and approve the erosion control measures, 2. that the property owner gives the contractor copies of both the motion of approval and approved plans prior to the commencement of work, and 3. any changes to the plans as approved must be submitted to the Commission for review. The Commission has determined that there is no reasonable probability of significant adverse impact on any wetlands or watercourses, by Mr. LaMuniere, seconded by Ms. Branson, passed by 5-0 vote.

A.H. Howland for VanVeen/41 East St/Application for Permit #IW-20-43/construct inground pool and pool house w/associated appurtenances within review area (17:30):

Mr. Szymanski was present to represent the property owners for this application.

There were no further questions or comments from the IWC.

Motion: To approve the application submitted by A.H. Howland for VanVeen for the property located at 41 East Street for Application for Permit #IW-20-43 to construct an inground pool and pool house w/associated appurtenances within review area per map titled "Proposed Site Development & Soil Erosion Control Plan," dated August 4, 2020, prepared for Richard Rafael Van Veen, by Arthur H. Howland & Associates, PC along with the application dated August 5, 2020, and supporting documents, this permit is valid for five (5) years and is subject to the following conditions: 1. that the Land Use Office be notified 48 hours prior to the commencement of work so the Wetlands Enforcement Officer can inspect and approve the erosion control measures, 2. that the property owner gives the contractor copies of both the motion of approval and approved plans prior to the commencement of work, and 3. any changes to the plans as approved must be submitted to the Commission for review. The Commission has determined that there is no reasonable probability of significant adverse impact on any wetlands or watercourses, by Mr. LaMuniere, seconded by Ms. Branson, passed by 5-0 vote.

New Applications:

Slackman, Cone-Gorham/95 Christian St/Application for Permit #IW-20-44/Construct addition within wetland soils (22:00):

The Commissioners accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for September 1, 2020, at 3:30 pm.

Klein/285 West Shore Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-45/To remove debris from swamp (23:52):
Mr. Dirienzo, Environmental Consultant was present to represent the property owners for this application. He stated that he would provide a site plan and sequence of work for the IWC.

The Commissioners accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for September 3, 2020, at 4:00 pm.

Fisher/66 Calhoun St/Application for Permit #IW-20-46/Construction of Swimming Pool within review area (33:40):

The Commissioners accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for September 1, 2020, at 4:15 pm.

Glover/63 Wykeham Rd/Application for Permit #IW-20-47/Site Improvements within review area (34:30)

The Commissioners accepted this application.

Other Business (35:04):

There was no other business to discuss.

Enforcement (35:09):

Enforcement Activity Report &

List of Files Closed by WEO – Projects Signed Off as Completed Per Approved Permit:

There were no questions or comments from the Commissioners.

Administrative:

There was no administrative business to discuss.

Communications:

There were no communications to discuss.

Adjournment:

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm, by Mr. Bennett.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shelley White
Land Use Administrator
September 1, 2020