

Inland Wetlands Commission

Regular Meeting

MINUTES

March 10, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Via Zoom Video Conference

Members Present: Mr. Lamuniere, Mr. Bennett, Ms. Branson, Mr. Gendron

Members Absent: Mr. Papsin

Staff Present: Ms. White, Mr. Tsacoyannis

Public Present: Mr. & Mrs. Sheikh, Mr. Davis, Mr. Pushlar, Mr. Harris

Call to Order:

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Members Seated: Mr. LaMuniere, Mr. Bennett, Ms. Branson, Mr. Gendron

Consideration of the Minutes (0:42):

Regular Meeting Minutes: 02-24-21:

Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes: 02-24-2021, by Ms. Branson, seconded by Mr. Gendron, passed by 4-0 vote.

Special Meeting Minutes: 03-03-2021 Site Inspection Report for Sheikh/68 Painter Ridge Rd/Application for Permit #IW-21-10:

Motion: To approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 03-03-2021 Site Inspection Report for Sheikh at 68 Painter Ridge Rd for Application for Permit #IW-21-10, by Ms. Branson, seconded by Mr. LaMuniere, passed by 4-0 vote.

Subsequent Business (02:01):

There was no subsequent business to add to the agenda.

Pending Applications:

Continued – Kassis/4, 6,16 West Mountain Rd/Application to request Exemption #IW-20-67E/ Christmas Tree Farm and pond (02:26):

Property owner informed the Land Use Office that a surveyor will be at the property this week. Discussion has been tabled until next meeting.

Sheikh/68 Painter Ridge Rd/Application for Permit #IW-21-10/Construction of an addition within review area (3:05):

Mr. and Mrs. Sheikh, property owners, were present to discuss this application with the IWC. Mr. Sheikh explained that the proposed extension of the drainage pipe will direct the water away from the

wells and they plan to let it pool in the area where the pipe ends as it does with the existing pipe. He added that they do not plan to cut any trees and he will modify their application to indicate that no trees will be removed.

The Commission briefly discussed the work they would like to see indicated on the proposed plans.

The IWC requested that the submitted survey/plan be updated to include the identification of the area of the limits of disturbance, boundary of the upland review area, indicate location and label proposed retaining walls, clarify the existing drainage pipe and label the length and size of the proposed extension of said drainage pipe, label proposed driveway and include dimensions, and update the sequence of construction.

The IWC continued this discussion to the next regularly scheduled meeting of March 24, 2021.

New Applications (15:13):

Teicholz/110 Blackville Rd/Application for Permit #IW-21-15/Application of aquatic herbicide and algaecide:

Mr. Davis, The Pond and Lake Connection, was present to represent the property owners for this application.

It was noted that the property owners were granted a permit for the application of aquatic herbicides and algaecides previously, but, their permit expired so a new application is necessary. The Commission requested that pdfs of the MSDS sheets for the herbicides and algaecides be sent to the Land Use Administrator.

The IWC accepted this application as complete and did not feel that a site inspection would be necessary.

Crouch for Santa Cruz/200 Church Hill Rd/Application for Permit #IW-21-16/ Clear invasives, restack stonewall, planting within URA:

Mr. Crouch was present to represent the property owners.

The IWC accepted this application and tentatively scheduled a site inspection for Thursday, March 17, 2021 at 4 p.m. Ms. White will confirm Mr. Papsin's availability.

Pushlar for Harris/181 West Shore Rd/Application for Permit #IW-21-17/Build retaining wall and shed within URA:

Mr. Pushlar and Mr. Harris were present to represent this application.

The IWC accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for next Wednesday, March 17, 2012 at 5 p.m.

Other Business (27:48):

There was no other business to discuss.

Enforcement (27:57):

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

- 25 West Shore Rd: Fine has been paid and permit has been closed
- 133 West Shore Rd: Permit has been closed out.
- 136 West Shore Rd: Permit has been closed out.
- 314 West Shore Rd: Administrative approval for LWCC to build wood deck walkway over existing gravel walkway.
- 71 West Shore Rd: Installation of an ejection pump in the crawl space of the home that is partially within the URA. All work is inside and will be done by hand. All materials will be removed off-site.
- 240 West Shore Rd: Removal of a dead elm tree approximately 2-3 feet into the URA. Replacing with 1-2 up to 5" caliper trees and plantings
- 6 West Mountain Rd: Status the same
- 60 River Rd: Status the same
- 90 Tinker Hill Rd: EO stated that the property owner has reached out to an engineer that will create the as-built for the site and then evaluate what was proposed, what was approved and what was done and determine if there have been any adverse effects.
- 101 Wykeham Rd: 23 Bell Hill was being accessed by the contractor using the 101 Wykeham Rd property Bell Hill Rd driveway. Mr. Tsacoyannis sent out the fine notice.

Administrative:

There was no administrative business to discuss.

Communications:

There were no communications to discuss.

Adjournment:

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 pm, by Mr. Bennett.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shelley White
Land Use Administrator
March 12, 2021