

**Town of Warren
Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting – Minutes
Thursday, July 25, 2019 – 7:00PM
Warren Town Hall – 50 Cemetery Road**

Present: **Chairman:** Keith Jewell **Members:** Nora Hulton, John Favreau, Tom Caldwell
 Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer: Stacey Sefcik
 Land Use Secretary: Brenda Zampaglione
 Alternate: Tom Caldwell
 Absent: Cynthia Shook, Darin Willenbrock, Nancy Binns,
 Guest: First Selectman, Craig Nelson

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DESIGNATION OF ALTERNATES

- a. The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Chairperson Jewell. The proceedings were recorded digitally, and copies are available in the Land Use Office. All Regular members were seated for the meeting. Tom Caldwell was seated as an Alternate member for Nancy Binns.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. June 27, 2019 Regular meeting.

MOTION: Ms. Hulton, 2nd Mr. Favreau to **APPROVE** the **MINUTES** of the **June 27, 2019** Regular meeting;
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None

5. NEW BUSINESS – RECEIVE AND DETERMINE SIGNIFICANCE

- a. **C. Webb & Associates, LLC for Kelly & David Williams, 149 North Shore Road (Assessor's Map 45 Lot 17) – Shoreline Stabilization and Resurface Existing Lakefront Deck; Grading and Removal of Trees in Upland Review Area.**

Copies of the application were distributed by Ms. Sefcik to the Commission. Clint Webb and Deborah Woodhouse spoke on behalf of the applicants regarding the proposed plans. Previous approval was given in 2016 and most of the work is completed. Several elements in the Regulated Area will be modified, set forth in this application. Mr. Webb and Ms. Woodhouse explained the changes to the Commissioners and in addition, demonstrated on maps which were provided as to the plans. These plans include: bank stabilization, creation of a rock wall to stabilize run off on a slope; placing boulders along water's edge for bank stabilization; removal of invasive and dead trees; creation of berm to divert water from patio and into the lake; driveway improvements. The Commission determined that they would need a site visit for clarity on the proposed plans. A Site Visit was scheduled for August 9, 2019 at 4:30 pm @ 149 North Shore Road, Warren, CT. Mr. Webb will mark all trees that are to be removed for the planned Site Visit.

MOTION: Mr. Favreau, 2nd Ms. Hulton to **RECEIVE** the **APPLICATION** for C. Webb & Associates, LLC for Kelly & David Williams, 149 North Shore Road (Assessor's Map 45 Lot 17) – Shoreline Stabilization and Resurface Existing Lakefront Deck; Grading and Removal of Trees in Upland Review Area;
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

MOTION: Ms. Hulton, 2nd Mr. Favreau to **ACCEPT** the application for C. Webb & Associates, LLC for Kelly & David Williams, 149 North Shore Road (Assessor's Map 45 Lot 17) – Shoreline Stabilization and Resurface Existing Lakefront Deck; Grading and Removal of Trees in Upland Review Area;; **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

b. Arthur Howland & Associates for Andreas & Gina Bauer, 49 Couch Road, Washington (Proposed Activity Located in Warren) – Regrade Existing Driveway in the Upland Review Area.

Copies of the application were distributed by Ms. Sefcik to the Commission. The location on Couch Road was explained to some members of the Commission. The current driveway is both in Washington and Warren. This is a dirt road in Washington. The section of Couch Road in Warren is a paved road. No wetlands or watercourses are located on the property. Upland Review area is 200' as according to our regulations, Mr. Szymanski demonstrated the location of this 200' mark on the map provided. Mr. Szymanski explained that water currently drains down Couch Road from the existing driveway which at times, has completely washed out Couch Road. Improvements to be made are for the new driveway to be at an elevation of 424' as opposed to the current elevation of 392', this will start @ 30' higher which will decrease the grade from the existing grade. The driveway length will be @ 110'. The grading plan will be a majority of the driveway and sheet flow water off into existing mature woodlands. The only area of the driveway in Warren on Couch Road is the last section of the driveway where there will be a cut to get into the site. Selectman Nelson notified Mr. Szymanski that a driveway permit will be needed as well as a bond.

MOTION: Mr. Favreau, 2nd Ms. Hulton to **RECIEVE** the **APPLICATION** for Arthur Howland & Associates for Andreas & Gina Bauer, 49 Couch Road, Washington (Proposed Activity Located in Warren) – Regrade Existing Driveway in the Upland Review Area.; **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

MOTION: Ms. Hulton, 2nd Mr. Favreau to **ACCEPT** the **APPLICATION** for Arthur Howland & Associates for Andreas & Gina Bauer, 49 Couch Road, Washington (Proposed Activity Located in Warren) – Regrade Existing Driveway in the Upland Review Area.; **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

6. INLAND WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

No written report available at this time. Ms. Sefcik gave a verbal report to the Commissioners.

a. 26 Jack Corner Road, Raymond Furse, (Assessor's Map 10 Lot 2) – Repair Stone Embankment in Seasonal Stream. Ms. Sefcik emailed an agenda to Mr. Furse. At the June 27, 2019 IWCC meeting the application was Received and Accepted. Mr. Furse was not in attendance at tonight's meeting.

127 Cornwall Road (Assessor's Map 28 Lot 6) – Ms. Sefcik distributed a Google Map 2018 aerial image of the site to the Commissioners. The photo shows that a pond has been cleaned out and 2 Wetland areas have been filled in with material, also noting that hay bales have been placed. Selectman Nelson visited the site on July 10, 2019. Selectman Nelson spoke to the owners and informed them that a permit was needed. A permit still has not been obtained and all work has ceased. An enforcement letter will be sent by Ms. Sefcik. Chairperson Jewell will do a site visit on July 27, 2019. The rest of the Commission will visit the site on August 9, 2019 at 5:15 pm at 127 Cornwall Road, Warren, CT.

15 Woodville Road (Assessor's Map 13 Lot 36) – Town of Warren office staff observed work being done in a regulated area. A Loader/Excavator was observed working on the property (photos taken) on July 22, 2019. Material from a small pond was being moved towards the front of the property. Not sure if dredging is being done. No application has been received as of yet. An official site visit has not been done. Ms. Sefcik will follow-up with an enforcement letter.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Ms. Sefcik distributed the May/June issue of *CT Wildlife Magazine* to the Commissioners for perusal.
- b. Ms. Sefcik received a letter from the CT Land Conservation Council regarding membership renewal.
- c. Selectman Nelson notified the Commissioners of a Land Management conference in Sharon at the Audubon Center on August 5, 2019. Advanced registration is required. At this conference land trust and conservation issues will be discussed. Selectman Nelson to forward email to Secretary Zampaglione for distribution via email to all Commissioners.

8. OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

- a. None

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Favreau, 2nd Ms. Hulton **ADJOURN** the meeting at 8:01PM;
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Zampaglione

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