

Town of Warren
Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting – Minutes
Thursday, January 23, 2020 – 7:00PM
Warren Town Hall – 50 Cemetery Road

Present: **Chair:** John Favreau; **Vice Chair:** Cynthia Shook; **Members:** Nora Hulton;
 Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer: Kathy Castagnetta
 Land Use Secretary: Brenda Zampaglione
 Alternate: None
 Absent: Darin Willenbrock, Tom Caldwell, Nancy Binns

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DESIGNATION OF ALTERNATES

- a.** The regular meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by Chair Favreau. The proceedings were recorded digitally, and copies are available in the Land Use Office. All Regular members were seated for the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a.** November 21, 2019 Regular meeting

MOTION: Ms. Hulton, 2nd Vice Chair Shook to **APPROVE** the **MINUTES** of the **November 21, 2019** Regular meeting; **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a.** None

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a.** None

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. David Diwick for Cedar Creek Farm, LLC, 127 Cornwall Road (Assessor's Map 28, Lot 6) AFTER-THE-FACT – Dredging and Enlargement of Existing Pond, Earthwork in the Regulated Area**

Brian Neff was present to represent David Diwick, Cedar Creek Farm, 127 Cornwall Road. Mr. Neff distributed a site plan for the Commission's perusal. Grass seed and hay bales were placed on the embankment for retention as well as plantings, the area is now stabilized. The smaller pond will be dredged and used as a basin to catch run-off and debris. The small pond has not been dredged in a long time (@ 40-50 years) and will be expanded for this purpose < 10' in a small area to the east and west. Dredging of silt and sediment will be done during the dry season to protect downstream areas from the collection of silt and sediment. Dredging material can be disposed of on the property as illustrated on the site map by Mr. Neff. Dredging will take place on a regular basis, every 2 to 3 years thereafter for preventive maintenance. The purpose of the work is to return the pond to its' original condition when it was first constructed.

MOTION: Ms. Hulton, 2nd Vice Chair Shook to **APPROVE** the **Application** in the matter of David Diwick, Cedar Creek Farm, LLC, 127 Cornwall Road (Assessor's Map 28, Lot 6) – Dredging and Enlargement of Existing Pond, Earthwork in the Regulated Area; **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

- b. Scott Thyberg, 58 Mountain Lake Road (Assessor's Map 7, Lot 6) – Cease & Desist Order – Tree Clearing and Earthwork done in a Regulated Area Without Permits.**

Mr. Thyberg has filed an **After-The-Fact application** and payment has been received. This matter is now closed.

- c. **15 Woodville Road (Assessor's Map 13, Lot 36) – Earthwork in the Regulated Area WITHOUT Permits – 2nd Notice of Violation – No response received as of 1/23/20 to first NOV.**

Per the Commission, a Notice of Violation will be sent by IWEO Castagnetta. 15 Woodville Road will remain on the agenda for next month.

- d. **Scott T. & Tiffany A. Parkhouse, 337 Brick school Road (Assessor's Map 32/33, Lot 1) – Earthwork in Regulated Area Without Permits**

IWEO, Castagnetta, will follow-up on this Notice of Violation as it is still an open matter of which remediation or follow-up had not been done previously by this Commission.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. *Habitat* Newsletter distributed to Commission by Secretary Zampaglione
- b. *NW Conservation District* schedule of meetings was circulated, Ms. Zampaglione to resend via email as requested by Commission.

8. OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

- a. **Welcome new IWEO, Kathy Castagnetta!**
- b. Regular member, Nora Hulton, discussed that she has seen excavation work being done on top of Tanner Hill near Lakeview Road that she believed was in a Wetland area. IWEO Castagnetta will follow-up for Ms. Hulton and report at next meeting.
- c. Chair Favreau, following up on a discussion from last month regarding unusual activity that was reported Chair Favreau has spoken to the Beldock's (neighbors to the area in question) and work is being done at night as there are lights that are visible. Chair Favreau was going to check with the Building Inspector Joe Manley to see if any permits have been pulled.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ms. Hulton, 2nd Vice Chair Shook **ADJOURN** the meeting at 7:26 PM;
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Zampaglione

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