#### **Town of Warren**

## ${\bf Inland\ Wetlands\ and\ Conservation\ Commission}$

# Regular Meeting – Minutes

### Warren Town Hall – 50 Cemetery Road

Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic and the recent restrictions imposed this meeting was closed to in-person public participation per Executive Order 7B.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DESIGNATION OF ALTERNATES-John Favreau, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Members present: John Favreau, Nora Hulton, Cindy Shook, and alternate Tara Tanner. Absent: Nancy Binns, Tom Caldwell, alternate Darin Willenbrock. Tara Tanner was seated for Nancy Binns. One member of the public also phoned in.

#### 2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. March 26, 2020 regular meeting. N. Hulton moved to accept the minutes of March 26, 2020, second by C. Shook. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor, the motion carried 4-0-0.
- B. March 16, 2020 Special Meeting Site Walk- N. Hulton moved to accept the minutes of March 16, 2020, second by C. Shook. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor, the motion carried 4-0-0.
- **4. OLD BUSINESS:** C.Shook recused herself from the following three motions:
- A. N. Hulton moved to table any discussion of the application of <u>Paul Szymanski</u>, <u>PE</u>, Kent Road (Map 21, Lot 27), Construct 50' x 80' office/barn to be used for equipment storage with an office; including sanitary system, well, driveway, grading and related appurtenances until the May 28, 2020 regular meeting of the Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission. Second by T. Tanner. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor, the motion carried 3-0-0.
- B. N. Hulton moved to accept the 35 day extension for making a decision on the application of <u>Paul Szymanski</u>, <u>PE</u>, Kent Road (Map 21, Lot 27), Construct 50' x 80' office/barn to be used for equipment storage with an office; including sanitary system, well, driveway, grading and related appurtenances as granted by the applicant. Second by T. Tanner. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor, the motion carried 3-0-0.
- C. N. Hulton moved that the Commission extend the time frame for making a decision on the application of <u>Paul Szymanski, PE</u>, Kent Road (Map 21, Lot 27), Construct 50' x 80' office/barn to be used for equipment storage with an office; including sanitary system, well, driveway, grading and related appurtenances for an additional 90 days as authorized by Executive Order 7I, which would require a decision be made by the August 27, 2020 meeting of the Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission and that in the event that the restrictions imposed by the public health emergency prevent the Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission from holding an in-person public meeting on May 28, 2020, that this agenda item will be carried over to subsequent meetings. Second by T. Tanner. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor, the motion carried 3-0-0.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS – RECEIVE AND DETERMINE SIGNIFICANCE:

- A. Douglas Brown, 35 Arrow Point Road (Map 41, Lot 2), Extend a gravity fed footing drain. (Date of Acceptance: 4/23/2020 Decision or Open Hearing by: 6/25/2020). N. Hulton moved to table this application until the May 28, 2020 meeting. A Roll call vote was taken, all in favor, the motion carried 4-0-0.
- **6. INLAND WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT.**-The chairman read the officer's report for the record. He noted that he had walked the site at 184 Brick School Rd on April 16.
- 7. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.
- 8. OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION: None.
- **9. ADJOURNMENT**. N. Hulton moved to adjourn at 7:24 pm, second by C. Shook. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Tiedmann, Temporary clerk

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MEMO TO: Warren Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commissioners

FROM: Kathy Castagnetta, Land Use Officer

DATE: April 15, 2020

SUBJECT: Wetlands Enforcement Officer Report

<u>54 Jack Horner Road:</u> Drive-by inspection 3/25/2020 based on Commissioner concern with ongoing earthwork activity. Inspection revealed backhoes on site and digging and earth moving going on. Property contains a house and detached garage on less than an acre. A review of Town wetlands mapping as well as USDA Web Soil Survey maps revealed wetlands are at least 200' behind the rear property line of the subject lot. Will keep an eye on it.

127 Cornwall Road: Drive-by inspection 3/25/20 revealed no activity on pond dredging project.

<u>10 Bobcat Lane:</u> Inspection 3-25-20 for approved driveway project. Some tree-clearing started.

10 North Shore: A neighbor called in a concern about the condition of the common portion of the driveway which is supposed to be maintained as part of the project approval. I contacted Olsen Construction to fill in holes/regrade and over the past week the potholes were filled and regraded.

184 Brick School: On March 26, 2020 the Warren IWC determined the proposed agricultural use on the subject property was permitted as of right. On April 14, 2020 I was contacted by Luke Fraley, Mr. Carr's contractor requesting modification of the approval to allow clearing of an area farther back on the site rather than clearing and stumping the area adjacent to the stream. This area is away from the watercourse and along the border of a grassed area to a stonewall. This modified plan reduced the area of direct wetlands impact and is farther from the watercourse. Mr. Fraley and I agreed this area has reduced impacts and due to the concerns and restrictions imposed on meetings with regard to COVID 19 I have authorized Mr. Fraley to implement this revised plan.

#### Pandemic Response Executive Orders:

Executive Order 7B

• Suspension of In-Person Open meeting requirements – public access to meetings can be provided by conference call. All speakers taking part in any such meeting or proceeding shall clearly state their name and title before speaking.

#### Executive Order 71

• Allows a single 90-day extension period, in total, for any single application decision. Currently the extension period is 65 days, divided up between the three time periods (opening of public hearing, duration of public hearing, and decision). At this time up to 155 days are permitted (65+90).