

HARTLAND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION 22 South Road, East Hartland, CT 06027

REGULAR MEETING VIA ZOOM MINUTES

Wednesday ~ January 12, 2022 ~ 7:00 P.M.

RE: Regular Meeting Minutes for the Hartland Inland Wetlands Commission

Date: January 12, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Attendance: Chair Carol Mierzwa, Vice Chair Enos (Steve) Stevens, Kim Burkhart, Tom Daukas, Peggy Kawa, Brian Kershaw, Maureen Watson, and Scott Eisenlohr – Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Guests: Warren and Judy Haag, Ken Hrica

I. The Hartland Inland Wetlands Commission meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chair Carol Mierzwa.

II. Chair Carol Mierzwa confirmed all Commission members and guests noted above were present.

III. Minutes from the December 8, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Chair Carol Mierzwa noted the following changes:

Under Item 4, Old Business, #1. The items need to make the current application more complete numbers 1) and 2) as written in the December 8, 2021 minutes.

#3 – Appropriate subdivision map showing Lot #17 on the map.

#4 – Could have submitted the plan from the potential buyer of building plans.

Peggy Kawa made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Vice Chair Enos (Steve)

Stevens seconded the motion. Maureen Watson abstained. Motion carried.

IV. New Business

1. 532 Hogback – Ryan Sheehan – All surveying and wetlands was completed before the ground froze. Soil Scientist/Wetlands Biologist, George Logan, flagged wetlands and there is one area on the north side of the property needing to determine where there are wetlands. Mr. Hrica shared a map, via screen share, with the Commission and stated that Mr. Logan should have a more detailed report and a completed application is expected for the February 9, 2022 meeting. It will be researched to see if there are State Records showing the original layout of Route 20. Scott Eisenlohr, Wetlands Enforcement Officer, was asked to notify the Town that on preliminary assessment it appears that the pipe under Hogback Road is undersized and contributing to the brook backing up. This most likely will need to be addressed moving forward.

V. Old Business

Warren Haag – Lot #17, Brookside Subdivision – 60 North Hollow Road (Route 20)
 East Hartland. The Commission had several concerns with the application that was submitted. On January 4, 2022 an email was sent to Mr. Haag including the three items listed in the December 8, 2021 meeting minutes.
 Item #1 – a map with the wetlands delineation. Mr Haag did submit feasibility drawings for Lot #17. There is some indication of wetlands soils on the map. It is not signed or stamped and does not indicate on the map who performed the wetlands soils. The original map was found by the Recording Secretary, which was signed and dated February 1988. A copy of this map is included in the file for this application.



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The wetlands soils are roughly delineated on the map from 1988. The wetlands noted are according to a book put out by the Department of Agriculture for Hartford County several decades back and that is where the drawings of the wetlands on this lot were taken from.

Item #2 – a letter from Farmington Valley Health District with the location for the approved septic. The applicant did submit a letter dated March 12, 1988 from FVHD. Since that letter is so old, Chair Carol Mierzwa contacted Dianne Harding to see what their procedure is with a letter dated from 1988. On January 5, 2022, Dianne sent an email to Carol with her response regarding Lot #17.

Good afternoon Carol,

The following items will attempt to clarify Farmington Valley Health District's position on lots previously approved by our staff:

- At the time of individual lot development engineered plans must be submitted showing all pertinent features and data (proposed house, driveway, well, drainage, & utility trenches ... also, existing soil test locations & data, existing water bodies,..)
- The septic system design must meet the current health code regulations
- Additional soil tests (deep holes and/or percolation) may be required in order to fully document the conditions throughout the entire proposed primary & reserve leaching areas
- The number of bedrooms in the proposed house may need to be limited based on the available suitable septic leaching area (floor plans required for review)
- In extreme cases, damage/changes (e.g. established beaver dams, random excavation activities,...) to the site subsequent to FVHD approval may render the lot severely limited for on-site sewage disposal
- Purchasers of undeveloped properties, especially lots that were approved decades ago, should be aware of this information

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns with the above list. Dianne

A copy of the email will be placed in the file.

The maps showing wetlands delineation were received but not dated. There is a map in the file with the requested information dated March 12, 1988. Site 3 Map shows Lot #17 and a signature from Planning and Zoning approval back in 1988. Minutes from March and April 1988 approved the wetlands crossing. Tom Daukas is abstaining on any motions with this application since he was originally involved in the plan. The purchasers of the property will have to come back before the Commission prior to activity. CHAIR CAROL MIERZWA MADE A MOTION FOR THE HARTLAND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION TO APPROVE LOT #17, BROOKSIDE SUBDIVISION – 60 NORTH HOLLOW ROAD (ROUTE 20), EAST HARTLAND, #22-06, AS A BUILDING LOT ALONG WITH THE STANDARD 12 CONDITIONS IN ADDITION WITH ITEM #13-THE LETTER FROM FVHD, ITEM #14-LEGAL DOCUMENTATION FROM



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MR. HAAG AS PROOF OF AUTHORIZATION TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE LIVING TRUST WITHIN 30 DAYS, AND ITEM #15-WHEN SOMEONE DECIDES TO BUILD ON THIS LOT THAT THEY WILL NEED TO COME BEFORE THE INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION SHOWING WETLANDS ARE CLEARLY DELINEATED ON A MAP BY A SOIL SCIENTIST. PEGGY KAWA SECONDED THE MOTION. TOM DAUKUS ABSTAINED MOTION CARRIED.

VI. Other Business – 2021-2022 Budget – Chair Carol Mierzwa made a motion keep the current information and approve the 2021-2022 Budget. Peggy Kawa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VII. Violations

1. 532 Hogback – Ryan Sheehan

VIII. Wetlands Agent Report

- 1. 203 Pinehurst, West Hartland Lisa von Pechmann and Brian Ferguson Dock Replacement. Agent of Approval has been completed and will be removed from the agenda once permit is received from the Enforcement Officer.
- 2. Groth Property, Riverton Road between 190 and 200 West Hartland Scott Eisenlohr, Wetlands Enforcement Officer, was asked to schedule time with Peggy and Tom to walk the property to assess what had been done. An email, dated December 14, 2021, written to Scott Eisenlohr, from Carol Laude, Engineer for the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection was received on January 4, 2022.
- IX. Chair Carol Mierzwa made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Hartland Inland Wetlands Commission held via Zoom on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. Peggy Kawa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Irwin
Recording Secretary

cc: Commission Members
First Selectman - Magi Winslow
Enforcement Officer - Scott Eisenlohr
Hartland Town Clerk - Therese Gundersen
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