

Town of East Hampton
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency
Regular Meeting

December 20, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.

East Hampton Town Hall Meeting Room

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Joshua Wilson, Vice-Chairman Dean Kavalkovich (Zoom), Peter Wall, and Derek Johnson and Scott Hill (Zoom). Interim Town Planner, John Guskowski (Zoom). Office Technician, Cheryl Guiliano

Absent: None.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Chairman Joshua Wilson.
Minor delay due to technical difficulties.

2. Seating of Alternates: None.

3. Approval of Minutes:

A) **November 15, 2023 Meeting:** Mr. Wall made a motion to approve the November 15, 2023 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johnson. ***Vote: 4-0 The motion was unanimous in favor.***

4. Communications, Enforcement and Public Comment:

Communications: None.

Enforcement: None

Public Comment: None.

5. Agent Approval: None

6. Reading of the Legal Notice: None

7. Continued Applications:

A. Application IW-23-019 for John Brown at 209 East High Street to construct a single family home within the upland review area. Map 32/ Block 71/ Lot 1/5. Gordon Sime, McMinn Associates, representing applicant, discussed updated site plan. Updates include two new rain gardens at the rear of the house for footing drains and roof leaders, removal of rain garden in front of the house and provided planting plan by Soil Scientist, Richard Snarski. Mr. Wall made a motion to approve application IW-23-019 for John Brown at 209 East High Street to construct a single-family home within the upland review area. Map 32/ Block 71/ Lot 1/5

using the short form. For the following reasons: improvements to rain gardens and water runoff controls. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. ***Vote 5-0 The motion was unanimous in favor.***

B. Application IW-23-022: Ryan Hurlburt, 63 Spellman Point Rd, Pave driveway in Upland Review Area. Map 09A/ Block 70A/ Lot 35. Ryan Hurlburt, applicant provided details for proposed paved driveway. Chairman Wilson asked if drainage from driveway would be collected. Mr. Hurlburt replied no, but noted gardens currently collect rain water. Mr. Hurlburt discussed current driveway conditions. Commission Members discussed pervious versus impervious coverage for proposed driveway. The Commission asked the applicant to provide calculations for water runoff and grading. Mr. Johnson made a motion to continue application to the next monthly meeting in January. Mr. Wall seconded the motion. ***Vote 5-0 The motion was unanimous in favor.***

C. Application IW-23-025: Jacob Sapia, 15 Brook Trail, Construct a single-family home in Upland Review Area. Map 10A/ Block 78/ Lot 28. Pat Benjamin is a professional engineer with an office on Main Street in Durham, representing the applicant. Mr. Benjamin attended the meeting on behalf of the applicant to present to the Commission. The applicant applied for a permit to build a small 693 square foot, single family house with one bedroom within the upland review area. An application was brought before the agency back in 2006 and was approved for 1,200 square feet. Mr. Benjamin reviewed the site plan with the agency members. Mr. Benjamin noted underground roof water gallery system. A variance was previously approved for side yard setbacks. Wetlands locations were provided. Vice Chairman Kavalkovich made a motion to approve application IW-23-025: Jacob Sapia, 15 Brook Trail, Construct a single-family home in Upland Review Area. Map 10A/ Block 78/ Lot 28 using the short form. For the following reason: makes the best possible use due to size of the lot with no direct wetland impact. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. ***Vote 5-0 The motion was unanimous in favor.***

8. New Applications:

A. Application IW-23-026: Robert Grillo, 11 Pine Trail, Repair stone barrier/retaining wall along Lake Pocotopaug Shoreline within Upland Review Area. Map 10A/ Block 780/ Lot 5/2. Robert Grillo, property owner explained the current sea wall conditions. Mr. Grillo explained he plans to use a contractor to rebuild the existing sea wall and also noted the contractor repaired other sea walls around the lake. Mr. Hill asked the applicant to provide a narrative for repair wall and dock. Mr. Grillo would like to start repairing the entire wall soon as the level of the lake is low. Mr. Hill made a motion to continue the application to the next monthly meeting in January. Mr. Wall seconded the motion. ***Vote 5-0 The motion was unanimous in favor.***

9. Public Hearings: None

10. New Business: None

11. Old Business:

A. Discussion Regarding Activity at 33 High Point Drive: John Guskowski, interim Town Planner, explained an application to Planning and Zoning Commission is on their agenda and will be discussed at the next meeting in January.

12. Public Comment: Chuck Yenknor, Chairman for Conservation Lake Commission expressed concern with recommendations not being received by IWWA. Mr. Hill noted previously a

member from CLC would come to IWWA and discuss any concerns. Commission Members would like their comments and discussed adding CLC minutes to packets. Additionally, asked Mrs. Guiliano to reach out to Shawn from the Recreation Department for communications. Vice-Chairman Kavalkovich discussed new property owned by Middlesex Land Trust.

13. Adjournment: Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m., the motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. The motion was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Guiliano

Recording Clerk