

Town of East Hampton
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency
Regular Meeting
March 31, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.
Virtual Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Chairman Foran, W. Dean Kavalkovich, David Boule and Peter Wall. Alternate Nico Guerrero entered the Zoom meeting at 7:12 p.m. but was not seated.

Absent: Robert Talbot, Vice-Chairman Wilson, Scott Hill and Tess Lundgren.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Foran.

2. Seating of Alternates: None

3. Approval of Minutes:

A. February 24, 2021 Regular Meeting – Mr. Boule made a motion to approve the February 24, 2021 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kavalkovich. **Vote: 4-0**

B. March 2, 2021 Special Meeting – Mr. Boule made a motion to approve the March 2, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. **Vote: 4-0**

4. Communications, Enforcement and Public Comment:

Communications: None

Enforcement: Will be discussed under Old Business.

Public Comment: None.

5. Agent Approvals: None

6. Reading of the Legal Notice: Not required.

7. Continued Applications:

A. IW-21-004: JCG Properties, LLC., 9 Middle Haddam Road, Cobalt, for a 2 -lot subdivision of property containing wetlands Map 01C/Block 9/Lot 5. Christine Gustavson presented. They are intending to purchase 5 acres of frontage along Haddam Road and are requesting the division of the property into 2 lots. The property that they are interested in has no wetlands. The wetlands are 500' from the dividing line that runs parallel to Middle Haddam Road. Mr. Kavalkovich made a motion to approve Application IW-21-004 using the standard short form and because a portion of the property can be buildable without effecting the wetlands.

Mr. Wall seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0**

8. New Applications:

A. IW-21-006: Grasshopper Landscaping, LLC., 41 Meeks Point Road, to install a paver walkway and steps on south side of house, install a 10' x 10' gazebo with crushed stone base, install stepping stones under deck to fence, install (2) retaining walls with steps, install a 20' x 4' paver walkway from garage door to deck steps and to install a stone pillar fence along Meeks Point Road. Work is within the Upland Review Area Map 10A/Block 83/Lot 8. Heath Marazi from Grasshopper Landscaping presented. The walkway on the side of the house will be made of pavers with pre-cast stepping stones on a crushed stone base. There will be river rocks along the sides of the walkway to help with erosion. The gazebo will have 6" of crushed stone under it and will be 9-10' from the property line. There will be 18" x 24" stepping stones around the back of the property (patio to deck). The retaining walls will be 15'-20' from the water. Crushed stone will be added for a patio area. The walkway will be 20' long, made of pavers with a crushed stone base. The pillar fence will be 2 x 2 wide and 3.5' tall and 5'-6' from the road with a gravel base. There will be minimal excavation and the excavated material will be taken off site. The stone wall will be made of natural stone and will blend into the existing grade with fabric behind it and a stone base with rip rap. Mr. Kavalkovich made a motion to continue Application IW-21-006 to the next regularly scheduled meeting on April 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. **Vote: 4-0**

B. IW-21-007: Po's Rice and Spice, 97 Main St., install 2 concrete pads, a stone patio, fencing, gravel parking lot and greenery in the Upland Review Area Map 06A/Block 57/Lot 1A. Po Fong presented. The project is for outdoor seating and extra parking in the rear. She is proposing 2 pads: one for a dumpster and one for a freezer. There will be greenery planted along the property line (parallel to the stream). An updated plan will be submitted for the next meeting that will depict details on the grass swale and new topography. There will be a shallow grass swale at the edge of the parking area. Tony Flannery added that the parking area has 8" of stone and fabric and that the tree line area will have a swale that will help absorb water along with the plantings. Mr. Kavalkovich made a motion to continue Application IW-21-007 to the next regularly scheduled meeting on April 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. **Vote: 4-0**

C. IW-21-008: Long Hill Estates, LLC, Long Hill Road, for a 7- lot residential subdivision within an upland review area. Map 06/ Block 12/ Lot 8. Mr. Rand presented. The property is a total of 18 acres with a stream that crossed the potential lot #7 that originates from a detention pond. There will be grading within 80-100' of the wetlands. The proposed driveway crosses the Upland Review Area off Long Hill (approximately 80'). Mr. Kavalkovich made a motion to continue Application IW-21-008 to the next regularly scheduled meeting on April 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. **Vote: 4-0**

9. Public Hearing: None

10. New Business: None

11. Old Business: Mr. DeCarli walked the property at 2 Boulder Rd. with the homeowner. The

use of dirt bikes was discussed. The owner stated that they are banned from the property. Mr. DeCarli stated that the photos presented did not indicate an evidence of dirt bike usage. He advised the owner to add a ramp to the boardwalks to avoid erosion issues. He noted that there was not a lot of disturbance overall and that he would be following up with a property visit once a month. Mr. Kavalkovich reminded the members about his report of wetlands disruption on the Shenipsit Trail in the State Forest done by ATV's and stated that he will be sending pictures to Mr. DeCarli so we can begin documentation.

12. Public Comments: Linda Malavasi of 9 Boulder Road thanked the members for addressing her concerns about the disruption of wetlands at 2 Boulder Road and stated that she would be sending pictures of any motor bike usage.

13. Adjournment – Mr. Wall made a motion to adjourn at 7:23 p.m., seconded by Mr. Kavalkovich. **Vote: 4-0**

14. Public Comment: None.

15. Adjournment:

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Castonguay
Recording Clerk