

# TOWN OF KENT INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

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## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on August 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Werner called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. via Zoom.

### 2. ROLL CALL AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES, IF REQUIRED

Commissioners Present: Lynn Werner, Chairman; Marge Smith, Paul Yagid, Ken Johnson

Staff Present: Donna Hayes, Land Use Administrator and Tai Kern, Land Use Clerk

*Mr. Yagid moved to elevate Ken Johnson to regular member status for this meeting. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

### 3. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 3.A. Regular Meeting Minutes, July 27, 2020.

*Ms. Smith moved to approve the Regular Minutes of the July 27, 2020. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

#### 4.A. Application #1225-20, Brian Neff, P.E., for Robert Harrison and Jane Hart, 69 Treasure Hill Road, Map 17 Block 25 Lot 6, construction of an addition to the existing single-family dwelling, new terrace and related site work within regulated area.

Mr. Neff explained that this application is for an addition to the north side of the house and to move the driveway around to the back of the house. The addition is about the size of the existing house. He reviewed the plans including erosion control, sequence of events and noted that this is only about a two percent slope. The proposed activity is 138 feet away from the pond.

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Donna Hayes reported that she is familiar with the property. She explained that she was reluctant to give an agent permit due to the substantial size of the addition. The members unanimously agreed that the potential impact on the wetlands is not significant and felt that this could be an agent approved permit.

- 4.B.** Application #1226-20, Allied Engineering Associates for Eric and Lori Aroesty, 59 Kenico Road, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 74, construction of 24' x 28' detached garage, expand and pave portion of driveway and parking area, additional drainage mitigation measures and increase landscape areas.

Bob Gilchrest came forward and explained that the owners have decided to add a garage to the plans for this site. They would like to pave the driveway as well. Allied Engineering has added additional drainage to the plan to accommodate the runoff from the driveway and garage roof. The new infiltration system will contain all runoff on site. Swales and additional landscaping have been added to the plan as well. A trench drain in driveway will lead to the infiltration system.

Mr. Gilchrest confirmed that the proposed generator and pedestal service panel are also being added to the plan. The generator will be placed on a pad. The planting plan will be submitted prior to next month's meeting.

*Mr. Yagid moved to table Application #1226-20, Allied Engineering Associates for Eric and Lori Aroesty, 59 Kenico Road, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 74, construction of 24' x 28' detached garage, expand and pave portion of driveway and parking area, additional drainage mitigation measures and increase landscape areas. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 4.C.** Application #1227-20 Arthur H. Howland & Associates for Todd Porterfield and Benoit Bolduc, 20 Kent Hollow Road, Map 15 Block 25 Lot 4, septic replacement and landscaping.

Catherine of Spring Lake Garden Design came forward to request a partial permit to allow for the retaining wall portion of the project to begin. She explained that the plans for the septic are not ready for review at this meeting.

Donna Hayes reported that she plans to view the site. She inquired about the existing pool on the other lot. She was waiting for the site plans prior to viewing the site. The members asked that the site plan and septic information be made available to them well in advance of the next meeting.

*Ms. Smith moved to table Application #1227-20 Arthur H. Howland & Associates for Todd Porterfield and Benoit Bolduc, 20 Kent Hollow Road, Map 15 Block 25 Lot 4, septic replacement and landscaping. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 4.D.** Application #1228-20, Town of Kent, 38 Maple Street, Map 4 Block 12 Lot 4, storage of materials for upcoming Streetscape project.

Rick Osborne came forward and confirmed that the wetland in question is the brook. He explained that the Town has a grant that will expire in December and they would like to purchase some of the material for the streetscape. Permission from the Parks and Recreation Commission is to be considered at their next meeting. Silt fence and hay bales will surround the pile for the winter. The sediment and erosion control will be added to the plan for the record. This request is for temporary storage. The contractor that is awarded the job will need to return for permission for a staging area.

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*Mr. Yagid moved to table Application #1228-20, Town of Kent, 38 Maple Street, Map 4 Block 12 Lot 4, storage of materials for upcoming Streetscape project. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 4.E.** Preliminary discussion on how to handle application process for lakeside landscape maintenance of property owned by Emmert and Alberta Balis, 70 Lake Waramaug Road, Map 17 Block 27 Lot 8; Christopher Spring, 74 Lake Waramaug Road, Map 17 Block 27 Lot 9; and, Craig Bibb, 80 Lake Waramaug Road, Map 17 Block 27 Lot 11.

Donna Hayes reported that this was added to the agenda late Thursday; however, no information was available to pass along to the Commission members. She explained that this property is owned by three separate homeowners on the lake. The members agreed that there should be three signatures representing each owner on one application for this proposal to indicate that each owner is giving consent to the proposal.

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

- 5.A.** Application #1222-20, John Casey and Bart Clark for Kent Green, LLC, Map 19 Block 42 Lot 8, removal of existing drainage pipes and installation of new pipes.

The Commission confirmed their receipt of a letter from NW Conservation District. Bart Clark came forward and addressed questions regarding pipe sizing. He explained that they will replace the pipes in kind. There will be no change to the flood impact. They will just be restoring capacity in order to have less standing water on the site. John Casey reported that they have an extensive planting plan that he believes will purify the runoff.

*Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1222-20, John Casey and Bart Clark for Kent Green, LLC, Map 19 Block 42 Lot 8, removal of existing drainage pipes and installation of new pipes. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 5.B.** Application #1223-20, Kinney Woodworking, LLC for Stuart Wurtzel and Patrizia von Brandenstein, 115 Kent Cornwall Road, Map 9 Block 15 Lot 30, replace portion of open deck with a single-story sunroom; rebuild deck after sunroom is built.

Mr. Kinney reported that they had two trees removed via crane with stumps remaining. He was not aware that this was part of the application and apologized for the preapproval work done.

*Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1223-20, Kinney Woodworking, LLC for Stuart Wurtzel and Patrizia von Brandenstein, 115 Kent Cornwall Road, Map 9 Block 15 Lot 30, replace portion of open deck with a single-story sunroom; rebuild deck after sunroom is built. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 5.C.** Application #1224-20, Wes Wyrick for Chris Munro, 15 Gorham Road, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 30, construction of garage with connector to main house.

Donna Hayes reported on her site visit and noted that she does not see an issue with this proposal.

*Mr. Smith moved to approve application #1224-20, Wes Wyrick for Chris Munro, 15 Gorham Road, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 30, construction of garage with connector to main house. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

**5.D. Connecticut DEEP Permit Application for the Use of Pesticides in State Waters: South Spectacle Pond**

The group noted that they received the DEEP response to their questions from the last meeting. They noted that the DEEP does not seem to be very forceful with their responses to follow-up. Mr. Yagid requested that the DEEP forward the compliance plan.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION**

**A. WRITTEN** – N/A

**B. VERBAL**: N/A

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

*Mr. Yagid moved to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted.

*Tai Kern*

Tai Kern,  
Land Use Clerk