

# TOWN OF KENT INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

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# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on June 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

## 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Ms. Werner called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. via Zoom.

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

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

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

#### 3. <u>READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>

**3.A.** Regular Meeting Minutes, May 18, 2020.

*Ms.* Smith moved to approve the Regular Minutes of the May18, 2020. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## 4. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

**4.A.** Application #1221-20, Sam Mazza, 11 Upper Kent Hollow Road, Map 16 Block 26 Lot 1, after the fact permit for work done in the southeast drainage stream.

Sam Mazza came forward. It was noted that the stream has dried up and vegetation has grown in. Donna Hayes agreed to view site after next heavy storm. Mr. Mazza reported posts will be installed by means of a hole-digger on skid steer.

Mrs. Smith moved to approve Application #1221-20, Sam Mazza, 11 Upper Kent Hollow Road, Map 16 Block 26 Lot 1, after the fact permit for work done in the southeast drainage stream. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Smith explained the best practices regarding Ash wood disposal and agreed it is good that she is working with the tree warden and an arborist regarding this matter. The Commission asked that Ms. Suttman report back with the results of that conversation as well as her plans for replanting.

Mr. Yagid moved to table application #1220-20, Virginia Bush Suttman, 8 Bluff Road, Map 19 Block 15 Lot 38, removal of three ash trees infected with Emerald Ash Borer. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## 5. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

**5.A.** Notice of Violation 01-20, Lynn Novick and Dorothy Novick, 355 Skiff Mountain Road, Map 8 Block 8 Lot 7, cutting of approximately 75 – 100 trees in a regulated area without permit.

Donna Hayes reported that she received notice that work will begin the end of August.

**5.B.** Application #1218-20, Alecia Evans, 392 Kent Hollow Road, Map 17 Block 32 Lot 30, construction of new single-family dwelling, driveway and utilities within the regulated area.

Alecia Evan discussed the six native perennials she plans on using planted in groups of three. Ms. Evans agreed to send specifics and note this on the plan to be part of the application on file. She explained that the plants will act as a buffer to the pond. Dennis McMorrow clarified that the single family dwelling will have no impact on the pond.

*Ms.* Smith moved to approve application #1218-20, Alecia Evans, 392 Kent Hollow Road, Map 17 Block 32 Lot 30, construction of new single-family dwelling, driveway and utilities within the regulated area contingent upon the receipt of a planting list located on the plot plan. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## **5.C.** Draw down of the Housatonic River.

Donna Hayes reported that the draw down has happened and is complete.

## 6. <u>COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION</u>

# A. <u>WRITTEN</u>-

- **6.A.1.** Monthly Financials July 2019 through May 2020 reviewed
- **6.A.2.** Connecticut Siting Council's Notice of Public Hearing for Docket #488 Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility

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located at one of two sites: Kent Tax Assessor ID #M10, Block 22 Lot 38 Bald Hill Road or 93 Richards Road, Kent, Connecticut

It was noted that there are no wetland issues relative to either of these sites. The Commission agreed to consider sending a letter in support of P&Z's position regarding impact.

## B. <u>VERBAL</u>

Donna Hayes noted that she will be out of the office the week of July 13. Lynn Werner reported that Jon Younger submitted his resignation; therefore, the Commission is now down one alternate.

## 7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Mr. Yagid moved to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Mr. Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.

Tai Kern

Tai Kern, Land Use Clerk

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