

**TOWN OF KENT**  
**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**

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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on September 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kent Town Hall, 41 Kent Green Boulevard, Kent, CT.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Werner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Commissioners Present: Lynn Werner, Chairman; Eric Cieplik, Fred Hosterman, Paul Yagid

Staff Present: Donna Hayes, Land Use Administrator

3. **READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

3.A. Regular Meeting Minutes, August 22, 2016.

Mr. Cieplik noted that the word "are" on page 2, item #5.A, second paragraph, should be changed to "area".

*Mr. Yagid moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes, August 22, 2016, with the correction as noted. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

4. **APPLICATIONS**

4.A. Application #1137-16, William Gawel for Drew Taraian, 0 Macedonia Road, construction of bridge across Bog Hollow Brook, Map 3 Block 4 Lot 2.

Mr. Gawel was present to address the Commission. Ms. Werner referred the Commission to the history of the property that Ms. Hayes had prepared which explained that the original design of the bridge had been approved back in 1987. Mr. Hosterman questioned whether or not this application should be approved just because it had been approved back in 1987 and raised questions about whether or not the original design would meet today's standards for a 100-year storm.

Mr. Yagid asked if the Building Official will be inspecting the construction of the bridge and, if not, would an engineer be required to do the inspection. Ms. Werner questioned whether or not the plans

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should be reviewed by the Town's engineering firm to make sure that the bridge could meet the standards of a 100-year storm.

Ms. Hayes said that she would contact Anchor Engineering about reviewing the plans originally submitted and approved in 1987 and check with the Building Official with regard to inspections.

*Mr. Yagid moved to table Application #1137-16, William Gawel for Drew Taraian, 0 Macedonia Road, construction of bridge across Bog Hollow Brook, Map 3 Block 4 Lot 2 pending engineering review. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 4.B.** Application #1138-16, Virginia Bush-Suttman, 8 Bluff Road, construction of 12' x 20' single car garage, Map 19 Block 15 Lot 38.

Ms. Virginia Bush-Suttman was present to answer questions regarding her application. Ms. Werner asked Ms. Bush-Suttman how far from the river the garage will be located. Ms. Bush-Suttman replied that she had not measured that, but figured it would be approximately 150'. Ms. Hayes commented that she had calculated approximately 170'.

Mr. Yagid asked if the structure would be constructed on a foundation or if it would be a pole-barn type of structure as he would like to see the location of silt fencing on the site plan. Ms. Bush-Suttman said that she had not decided what type of structure she would be putting up and asked where the silt fencing should be installed. Ms. Hayes noted the location of the required silt-fencing on the plan that was submitted with the application.

*Mr. Eric Cieplik moved to table Application #1138-16, Virginia Bush-Suttman, 8 Bluff Road, construction of 12' x 20' single car garage, Map 19 Block 15 Lot 38 to the next regular meeting. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 4.C.** Application #1139-16, Richard B. Rosiello for Jed Hart, 91 Mountain Road, construction of tennis court, Map 11 Block 40 Lot 77.

Mr. Rosiello was present to answer questions. He explained that the location of the tennis court shown on the plans that had been submitted was no longer accurate. He conducted a site visit with the contractor and it was decided to shift the location of the court farther away from the wetlands and the stream.

Ms. Werner asked if he could show where the wetlands and the stream were located on the plans. She also questioned what the elevations were. Mr. Rosiello said that he could put that information on one sheet. He also explained that they were only removing the trees necessary to construct the court. Other plantings will be added and those are noted on the one plan.

When asked if there were any other questions, Ms. Hayes said that she would like to make a site visit as she is not familiar with the property. In the meantime, Mr. Rosiello will stake out the new location of the court and will compile all the information onto one plan. Ms. Werner asked Ms. Hayes to contact the Commission and let them know when she will be visiting the site in case others would like to attend.

*Mr. Yagid moved to table Application #1139-16, Richard B. Rosiello for Jed Hart, 91 Mountain Road, construction of tennis court, Map 11 Block 40 Lot 77 to the next regular meeting. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

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**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**5.A. Application #1134-16, Town of Kent, Kenico Road realignment, Map 15 Block 22 Town Road.**

Mr. Rick Osborne was present to address the Commission. He explained that he had the engineer add all the information requested by the Commission to the new plan. The information includes: an increase to the "cut" between station 102+50 and 104+25; the addition of labels for the inlet and outlet pipe extension with approximate invert elevations; the addition of a limit of grading to recreate the shallow depression; the addition of a typical label to the roadside embankments requiring the planting to be New England "Roadside Matrix Upland" mix; and, the addition of slopes to the vertical profile.

Ms. Werner asked Mr. Sean Gilson, who was also present at the meeting, if he was satisfied with the new information on the plan. Mr. Gilson said that he was and that he was also confident that the changes that were made will protect the vernal pool.

Ms. Werner thanked Mr. Osborne for working with Mr. Gilson and thanked Mr. Gilson for pointing out that there was a vernal pool in the area.

*Mr. Cieplik moved to approve Application #1134-16, Town of Kent, Kenico Road realignment, Map 15 Block 22 Town Road. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

No action taken.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION**

**A. WRITTEN**

**7.A.1. Connecticut Association of Conservation & Inland Wetlands Commissions 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Environmental Conference, November 12, 2016.**

No action taken.

**B. VERBAL**

Ms. Hayes asked the Commission for some advice on a conversation she had with a resident regarding the deposition of a small amount of material adjacent to a drainage ditch in order to raise the elevation of their lawn. The drainage ditch carries road runoff through their backyard and ultimately empties into the Bulls Bridge Inn pond. Ms. Hayes felt that this action could be considered maintenance and would not require a permit. After a brief discussion, it was decided that there could be a better and environmentally friendlier way of handling the situation and asked that Ms. Hayes contact the property owner and have them submit a permit.

Ms. Werner brought to the attention of the Commission a letter that she received from the Kent Conservation Commission regarding the recent passage of Kent's Ordinance regarding the prohibition of aircraft landing on Lake Waramaug. The Conservation Commission was asking if there were other ways in which to eliminate or mitigate the risks of contamination on other lakes, ponds and rivers in the Town.

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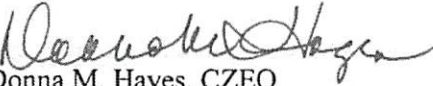
Ms. Hayes said that the landing of planes and helicopters is not a permitted use within the Town of Kent and any such landing would be in violation of the Zoning Regulations. She said that she would be glad to write a letter to the Conservation Commission.


Ms. Werner also asked that the Commission consider adding a line in the regulations regarding low impact development. Ms. Hayes mentioned that the new zoning regulations will include that information.

8. ADJOURNMENT

*Mr. Yagid moved to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. Mr. Cieplik seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

  
Donna M. Hayes, CZEO  
Land Use Administrator

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