

# TOWN OF KENT INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

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## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on July 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kent Town Hall, 41 Kent Green Boulevard, Kent, CT.

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BY *Donna Hayes*  
TOWN CLERK

### 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; Ken Deitz, Fred Hosterman, Marge Smith, Ken Johnson

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

Ken Johnson was elevated to voting status.

*Ms. Smith made a motion to add agenda items 6.A. and 7.A.2. Mr. Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

### 3. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 3.A. Regular Meeting Minutes, June 24, 2019.

On page 4, 2nd paragraph the word "been" should be added before the word "learned".

*Ms. Smith moved to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2019 meeting as amended. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

### 4. APPLICATIONS – N/A

### 5. OLD BUSINESS

#### 5.A. Application #1200-19, Quentin Kindred for Jeff & Angela Parkin, 18 Mauwee Brook Road, replacement of 1200 sq. ft. paver patio with bluestone; replace 60 linear feet of chain link fence with split rail fence, Map 9 Block 22 Lot 9.

Quentin Kindred came forward to represent Angela Parkin. He submitted and distributed copies of the site plan with topography noting there is about a 15 percent grade change before the stream. Donna Hayes shared photos of the site with the Commission. There will be no new planting; however, the current plantings will remain.

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Kent Inland Wetlands Regular Minutes 7/22/19

These are draft minutes. Corrections may be made by the Commission at the subsequent meeting. Please refer to subsequent meeting minutes for possible corrections and approval of these minutes.

*Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1200-19, Quentin Kindred for Jeff & Angela Parkin, 18 Mauwee Brook Road, replacement of 1200 sq. ft. paver patio with bluestone; replace 60 linear feet of chain link fence with split rail fence, Map 9 Block 22 Lot 9. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

*Ken Dietz was seated at 7:09 pm.*

- 5.B.** Application #1201-19, Brian Neff for Benjamin Rosen, 23 Mauwee Brook Road, removal of invasive non-native vegetation; planting of native trees & plants; installation of grass labyrinth with stone edging, Map 9 Block 22 Lot 3.

Brian Neff, Engineer, came forward. Ms. Smith reported on the site visit noting the invasives observed. Mr. Neff described the path proposed to access the invasives, which will be removed by hand. Invasive removal will be done as much as possible in the summer; however, more invasives will be removed as they return. Planting will begin in the autumn. No work will be done in the spring during the nesting season. Ash trees will be removed and stumps will remain. The depressed lawn area will be filled.

*Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1201-19, Brian Neff for Benjamin Rosen, 23 Mauwee Brook Road, removal of invasive non-native vegetation; planting of native trees & plants; installation of grass labyrinth with stone edging, Map 9 Block 22 Lot 3 with the condition that there will not be any cutting during the nesting season in the spring. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 5.C.** Application #1203-19, Sharon Land Trust, 0 Westwoods Road, removal and replacement of existing culvert and bridge over seasonal stream crossing site, Map 7 Block 17 Lot 9.

Harry White from the Sharon Land Trust came forward. The 7/10/19 letter from the DEEP and response from the USDA dated 7/22/19 were reviewed. NDDDB species impact report is yet to be received and will be forwarded to the Land Use Office upon receipt. Work will not begin until this report is received and a modification of the application will be submitted if necessary.

*Ms. Smith moved to approve application #1203-19, Sharon Land Trust, 0 Westwoods Road, removal and replacement of existing culvert and bridge over seasonal stream crossing site, Map 7 Block 17 Lot 9 with the condition that no work will be done until the NDDDB species report is received and site plan with changes per Todd Bobowick of USDA recommendations is submitted. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

- 5.D.** Application #1204-19, Candlewood Valley Homes, Inc. for Eric Aroesty, 59 Kenico Road, demolition of existing single-family dwelling; rebuild of new single-family dwelling on existing footprint; increase size of existing septic system to 5 bedroom, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 74.

Mr. George Johannesen of Allied Engineering Assoc. came forward to represent Eric Aroesty and reviewed plans. The house will be rebuilt on the existing footprint. One ash tree will be removed. 0.2 acres of wetland regulated area will be disturbed. The stone retaining walls will be removed and reconstructed. The driveway will be in the same location. A new geomatrix septic system will be installed in the same place. Silt fencing will be placed downhill from all disturbed areas. Roof and footing drains will be run to chambers. Plunge pool swales will be installed to catch runoff. Photos of the site were reviewed.

Demo equipment will be brought onto the site via the driveway. The house will be demolished from the backside opposite of the lakeside. Excavated materials will be stockpiled as noted on the plan and then trucked off site.

*Mr. Johnson moved to approve application #1204-19, Candlewood Valley Homes, Inc. for Eric Aroesty, 59 Kenico Road, demolition of existing single-family dwelling; rebuild of new single-family dwelling on existing footprint; increase size of existing septic system to 5-bedroom, Map 15 Block 22 Lot 74. Mr. Hosterman seconded.*

*Discussion: It was confirmed that between the retaining wall and the lake there will be natural vegetation. The motion carried unanimously.*

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

- 6.A.** Modification to Permit #192-19, Bruce Adams for Town of Kent, replacement of Carter Road culvert located approximately 210' west of the Kent/Warren town line, Map 14 Block 22 Lot Town Road.

Donna Hayes reported that the DEEP's approval of this required that they install a rock weir downstream of the culvert outlet to assist in preventing perched condition at the culvert's outlet; therefore, a modification of this approval is needed to include this requirement.

*Mr. Dietz moved to approve the modification to Permit #192-19, Bruce Adams for Town of Kent, replacement of Carter Road culvert located approximately 210' west of the Kent/Warren town line, Map 14 Block 22 Lot Town Road. Mr. Hosterman seconded and the motion carried unanimously*

- 6.B.** Discussion with Jon Younger, applicant for the open alternate position.

Mr. Younger came forward and introduced himself and discussed his interest in wetlands. The members agreed to recommend to the Board of Selectman the appointment of Mr. Younger.

Fred Hosterman was dismissed and stepped down at 8:15 pm.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION**

**A. WRITTEN**

**7.A.1.** Monthly Financials – July 2018– June, 2019 - received and reviewed.

**7.A.2.** Permit Application for the Use of Pesticides in State Waters: North Spectacle Lake, Kenmont Road. - received and reviewed.

**B. VERBAL - N/A**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

*Mr. Johnson moved to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. Mr. Deitz seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted.

*Tai Kern*

Tai Kern,  
Land Use Clerk