

EAST LYME INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 14, 2021

Remote Participation by ZOOM due to Covid 19

7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Gary Upton, David Schmitt, Phyllis Berger, Kristin Chantrell, Doreen Rhein, Jason Deeble, Alt.,

**Absent:** Don Phimister, Sandy Gignac

**Also Present:** Gary Goeschel, Director of Planning/Inland Wetlands Agent

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting started at 7:05

**I. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**MOTION: (Berger/Schmitt) to move item 8 before item 5. Vote: APPROVED unanimously**

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS-none**

**III. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS-none**

**IV. PENDING APPLICATIONS**

**A. Application to conduct regulated activities, including but not limited to clearing and grading and the construction of a driveway extension to access a new proposed single-family dwelling by J. Robert Pfanner, PELS, for Owner, Daniel Gjergiai, at property located at 29 Rocco Drive, East Lyme, Assessor's Map 44, Lot 19-14.**

B. Pfanner described the lot as 58 acres and previously approved as part of a subdivision. The proposed wetland crossing for the driveway is in an ideal spot as the land dips down to the intermittent stream and makes it a good spot for the 36-inch pipe. He submitted a memo from V. Benni, the town engineer dated June 11, 2021, that states all outstanding issues have been addressed by the applicant.

The pipe has been designed for peak velocity and a hundred-year storm. The velocity of the water through the pipe remains the same as preconstruction conditions at approximately .7 CFS.

The driveway is 18 feet wide with 4-foot buffers on each side. The driveway will be tilted towards the basins as opposed to crown construction.

A site walk was conducted by the Agency and the members who attended did not see any issues.

**MOTION: (Schmitt/Chantrell) to APPROVE the application to conduct regulated activities, including but not limited to clearing and grading and the construction of a driveway extension to access a new proposed single-family dwelling by J. Robert Pfanner, PELS, for Owner, Daniel Gjergiai, at property located at 29 Rocco Drive, East Lyme, Assessor's Map 44, Lot 19-14 with the conditions that a \$3000 E & S bond be provided to the town and an As Built site plan be provided to the town. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.**

**V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**A. Meeting Minutes May 10, 2021**

**MOTION: (Chantrell/Berger) to approve the May 10, 2021, Regular meeting as presented.**

**Vote: APPROVED. In favor-Chantrell, Berger, Schmitt, Rhein, Deeble. Opposed-none.**

**Abstaining-Upton.**

FILED

June 17 2021 AT 2:50 AM (PM)

*[Handwritten Signature]*

EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

## VI. EX-OFFICIO REPORT

B. Dagle reported that year end transfers were being heard and the BOS approved the capital acquisition plan for presentation to the BOF. The Public Safety Building is nearing completion.

The BOS solicited ideas from various departments and town nonprofits for use of the American Recovery funding.

K. Chantrell inquired about the area where the school busses are parked and was concerned that they are up gradient to a nearby watercourse. It was the Agency's understanding that the parking was to be temporary, but it was noted that they have been parked there for many years.

G. Goeschel informed B. Dagle that when Yankee Gas did work in the area of the busses they took the split rail fence around the parking lot down and have not replaced it.

B. Dagle said he would investigate the parking and the BOS will discuss the situation. G. Goeschel will reach out to the Superintendent to discuss the situation. B. Dagle and G. Goeschel will report back to the Agency when they have information.

J. Deeble asked about the resident, (Dr. Gregory McIntyre) whom the Agency asked to be appointed to the vacant alternate spot. B. Dagle will bring it to the BOS.

**MOTION: (Deeble/Berger) to send the alternate appointment of Dr. Gregory McIntyre to the BOS for consideration. Vote: APPROVED unanimously**

## VII. NEW BUSINESS:

**MOTION: (Upton/Chantrell) to take item "B" before item, "A". Vote: APPROVED unanimously**

### B. Site Walk Procedures

The members discussed past issues with meeting location of site walks. The members now have all the contact information for agency members as well as the WEO. They agreed to meet at town hall for all site walks and the information will be on the agenda.

### A. Public Hearing Sign Notice Requirements

G. Goeschel read the proposed text amendment to the East Lyme Zoning Commissions regulations pertaining to signage when a public hearing is scheduled.

**MOTION: (Upton/Deeble) to direct G. Goeschel to draft signage language based on the Zoning Commissions amendment for public hearing signage and modify for the Inland Wetlands Agency. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.**

## VIII. PENDING APPLICATIONS-previously discussed

## IX. OLD BUSINESS-none

## X. REPORTS

### A. Chairman's Report-no report

### B. Inland Wetlands Agent Report

#### Administrative Permits:

G. Goeschel reported the town is close to receiving its silver certificate.

#### Commission Issued Permits-none

### C. Enforcement

G. Goeschel reviewed the cases he is working on.

### D. Correspondence

G. Goeschel reported a request of authorization from DEEP for a water divergence from Pattagansett Lake for an agriculture use. They are requesting to divert 150, 000 gallons of water per day for 8 hours a day, two days a week for a total of 40 days a year.

Barbara Johnston sent an email (May 26, 2021) concerning work on West Lane. G. Goeschel will respond to the email and advise her of the regulations.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION (Berger/Chantrell) to adjourn at 8:49. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.**

**Respectfully Submitted  
Sue Spang  
Recording Secretary**

**2021 Meeting dates:**

**July 12, August 9, September 13, October 18, November 8, December 13.**