

**EAST LYME INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 7, 2023  
7:00 p.m.**

**EAST LYME TOWN HALL, MAIN MEETING ROOM**

**Present:** Kristen Chantrell, Phyllis Berger, Don Phimister, Gregory McIntire, Sam Sims, Diane Garner, Alt., Nancy Kalal Alt.,

**Absent:** Doreen Rhein, Leonard Salter, Carlo Lombardo Alt.

**Also Present:** Gary Goeschel, Wetlands Officer, Ann Cicchiello, BOS liaison  
D. Garner and N. Kalal were seated for L. Salter and D. Rhein

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting started at 7:00

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLGIANCE:**

The Pledge was recited.

**II. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS: none**

**III. PUBLIC HEARINGS: none**

**IV. SHOW CAUSE**

**A. Cease and Desist Order-Monaco Ford, Respondent; 218, 222, & 226 Flanders Road, Assessor's Map # 26.1 Lot# 23, 24, 26, Niantic Connecticut**

G. Goeschel informed the Agency that there was extensive clear cutting of the understory at the property and clear cutting around the basin for maintenance.

Mike Monaco, Monaco Ford said he was clearing the debris, old barb wire and broken fencing on the property. There is a dilapidated building structure that he would like to eventually take down. There are no plans currently to do anything else to the property. M. Monaco would like to spread the wood chips that are on the property and seed in the Spring.

G. Goeschel said the wood chips on the property are adequate to stabilize the soil. The tree canopy over the river was maintained and he suggested keeping the status of the order in place until the site can be inspected before the next meeting.

**MOTION: (Phimister/Sims) to take no action until the April Meeting at which the issue will be revisited. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.**

A site walk will be scheduled before the next meeting.

**V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**A. Meeting Minutes February 7, 2023, Regular Meeting**

**MOTION: (McIntyre/Sims) to approve the February 7, 2023, Regular Meeting as presented. VOTE: APPROVED unanimously**

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**VI. EX-OFFICIO REPORT**

A. Cicchiello reported the town presented a budget with a 1.4-million-dollar increase, the BOE presented a budget with a 4.8-million-dollar increase. The budgets will go to the BOF for a decision on possible reductions.

G. Goeschel informed the Agency he is asking for additional help for the wetlands and planning commissions.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**-none

**VIII. PENDING APPLICATIONS**-none

**IX. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations**

G. Goeschel supplied the draft regulations for review by the Agency. He stated the fees have not changed in ten years but are still competitive with surrounding towns.

The commission discussed adding examples of minor permits, such as pools and shed. They also discussed putting in impervious surface language as well as a checklist for application requirements.

G. Goeschel will check state statutes to see if there is a ten-day requirement for show cause hearings.

The Agency will review them before the next meeting in preparation for discussion.

**IX. REPORTS**

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

**B. Inland Wetlands Agent Report**-no report

**i. Administrative Permits & Commission Issued Permits**

no permits issued this past month

**ii. Enforcement**-no report

**iii. Draft Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulation**-no report

**C. Correspondence**-none

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION (Sims/Phimister) to adjourn at 7:52. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Sue Spang**

**Recording Secretary**