

**EAST LYME INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2023
7:00 p.m.**

EAST LYME TOWN HALL, MAIN MEETING ROOM

Present: Kristen Chantrell, Don Phimister, Doreen Rhein, Phyllis Berger, Gregory McIntire, Diane Garner, Alt.

Absent: Sam Sims, Leonard Salter, Nancy Kalal Alt.,

Also Present: Gary Goeschel, Wetlands Officer, Ann Cicchiello, BOS liaison

D. Garner was seated.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting started at 7:08

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I. PLEDGE OF ALLGIANCE:

Recited previously.

II. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS: none

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS: none

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A. Meeting Minutes July 13, 2023, Special Meeting

MOTION: (McIntire/Berger) to approve the July 13, 2023, Special Meeting as amended.

Delete the duplicate paragraph on page 3:

~~WHEREAS, the upland review process does not forbid activity based solely on proximity to wetlands. Rather, the upland review process merely provides a basis for determining whether activities will have an adverse impact on the adjacent wetland or watercourse, and if necessary, regulating them.~~

VOTE: APPROVED unanimously.

V. EX-OFFICIO REPORT

A. Cicchiello informed the Agency the BOS would be meeting the next night but that there was not anything to report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS-none

VII. PENDING APPLICATIONS-none

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations

G. Goeschel received comments from the Conservation Commission, and he will invite them to come to the next meeting as their comments could be valuable.

G. Goeschel will continue to accept the changes and finalize the document for a public hearing. What determines a complete application will be discussed as an agenda item. The addition of steep slopes was also discussed and the reduction of number of hard copies.

IX. REPORTS

A. Chairman's Report-no report

B. Inland Wetlands Agent Report-

i. Administrative Permits & Commission Issued Permits

Notice of timber harvest with no disturbance in the regulated areas.

A notice from DEEP for pesticide application use in Little Indian Pond, Crescent Beach. It was noted that an area of phragmites was cut down as well as a drainage pipe placed in the road from the pond by DPW.

MOTION: (McIntire/Rhein) to add 11 Ridge Trail and 9 Mosley Lane bond release to the agenda. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

11 Ridge Trail

G. Goeschel informed the members that 11 Ridge Trail had a small buffer behind the house with plantings which have taken and grown in.

MOTION: (Rhein/McIntire) to release the bond for 11 Ridge Trail.

Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

9 Mosley Lane

G. Goeschel said there was a wetland restoration area permit for 9 Mosley Lane that was issued in 2019. The plantings are in and mature.

MOTION: (McIntire. Berger) to release the bond for 9 Mosley Lane.

Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

G. Goeschel asked the Agency to redo a motion made at the previous meeting as it was an item added to a special meeting and therefore invalid.

MOTION: (Phimister/McIntire) to add request for determination of a permanent non-regulated activity of Catherine Christensen, 66 Grassy Hill Road.

MOTION: (Rhein/ Berger) The Agency has determined the proposed pond of Catherine Christensen, 66 Grassy Hill Road is a permanent non-regulated activity per section 4.1A of the regulations. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

ii. Enforcement-

iii. Correspondence:

Niantic River Watershed Revised Plan is out and online.

X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (Berger/Garner) to adjourn at 8:00. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted
Sue Spang
Recording Secretary