

Town of

NORTH STONINGTON, CT

Inland Wetlands Commission



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WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023 - 7:00 P.M.

North Stonington Town Hall New Town Hall 40 Main Street North Stonington, CT 06359

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Mark Grigg called the Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands Commission to order on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mark Grigg, Chairman, Kevin Geary (arrived 7:05 p.m.), Erin Offen, Adam Vernott, Ron Lewis, and Marvin Chase

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Cody Bill

STAFF PRESENT:

Wayne Berardi, Wetlands Enforcement Officer and Cheryl Konsavitch, Administrative Assistant

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: None

3. OLD BUSINESS:

#23-036 Application of W. Benjamin Buehler, 350C Cossaduck Hl Road, North Stonington, CT 06359 for the construction of single-family residence with driveway, septic, well & UG utilities. Proposed dwelling to be primary residence, existing primary to become accessory & current accessory to become non-dwelling on property located at 350C Cossaduck Hl Road in an R-80- Zone. Tax Map #57, Lot #5060

Robert DeLuca of CLA Engineers and Ben Buehler & Callie-Jean Tuthill were present for this continued application.

R. DeLuca went over the site-plan with the Commission and stated a corner of the house, garage & part of the septic is in the buffer. Some Commission members did a site-walk of the property and had no issues with the application.

MOTION by R. Lewis, SECOND by K. Geary to approve #23-036 Application of W. Benjamin Buehler, 350C Cossaduck HI Road, North Stonington, CT 06359 for the construction of single-family residence with driveway, septic, well & UG utilities. Proposed dwelling to be primary residence, existing primary to become accessory & current accessory to become non-dwelling on property located at 350C Cossaduck HI Road in an R-80- Zone. Tax Map #57, Lot #5060 was approved as submitted with the condition that the Wetlands Office be alerted prior to construction and the Commission prefers straw waddles, hay bales, or wood chip berms in lieu of silt fence. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. NEW BUSINESS: None

5. WORKSHOP:

A. Jeffrey Bennett to discuss widening driveway to cut corner to allow access to property with a 30 ft. gooseneck trailer on property located on Sleepy Hollow Rd., Tax Map #88, Lot #1985

- J. Bennett was not present for this continued workshop where he stated at the last meeting that the current access to the property is currently through a 10-foot gate and crosses 2 culverts and access is currently only large enough to allow a pickup truck or tractor but navigating a trailer is not currently possible due to the sharp corner.
- J. Bennett stated at last month's he would like to cut the corner to allow access to the property with a trailer, and would like to fill the area which is about 50 sq. ft. using boulders, then smaller stone between, and a gravel top coat. J. Bennett stated he would like to keep the trees if possible, and would only fill as necessary to allow the turn to be made with a 30 foot gooseneck trailer and pickup truck.

The Commission stated that J. Bennett will be contacted to submit a permit application.

B. Charlie McGowan pond maintenance

C. McGowan was present for this continued workshop where he stated he has been cleaning out the edge of the pond to remove the sand and gravel sediment that is flowing down. The Commission stated that what C. McGowan is doing is a maintenance issue and he is improving the pond, and he plans on putting a retention basin on his property to help prevent the road sand and gravel sediment from washing into the pond, and a permit is not needed.

The Commission asked C. McGowan to let the Commission know if he plans on doing any maintenance work in the future.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

7. MINUTES:

Review Minutes of Regular Meeting of 06/14/23 – The minutes were accepted as written.

8. WEO ENFORCEMENT REPORT: None

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by M. Chase, SECOND by E. Offen to adjourn the Inland Wetlands Commission Meeting at 7:36 p.m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectively Submitted,

Cheryl Konsavitch, Administrative Assistant

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