

*Town of Killingworth
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission
Killingworth, Connecticut 06419*

**Regular Meeting
#16-1**

January 12, 2016

Chairwoman Carolyn Reimers called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

Members present: C. Reimers, G. Johnson, S. Dowd, T. Doyle, E. Auer
Enforcement Officer C. Jefferson was also present.

Members absent: none

Visitors: Stephen Ariyan and Claire Webster

Minutes: The minutes of the December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting were approved by a consensus of the members.

Enforcement Officer's Report: Cathie Jefferson reported on the following:

- 1) The December building permit list was distributed to members.

41 Roast Meat Hill Road - garage bay addition	6 Owl Hollow - shed addition for solar panels
17 Parker Hill Road - three additions	55 Bunker Hill Road - three bay garage
300 Route 148 - wooden shed	
- 2) The Open Space in the Old Coach Subdivision was dedicated to the Killingworth Land Trust. Bond has been posted and the State has approved the entrance on Route 81.
- 3) The Pattaconk Farm LLC has purchased property across from Winterberry Farm on Parker Hill Road Ext. They will be using the property to grow various kinds of hay.
- 4) She updated the members on changes in some Public Acts that were enacted by the CT legislature.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Jack B. Coy LLC (owner), Katherine Berkun (applicant) permit application for pond clean-up and removal of soil and debris – Roast Meat Hill Road, Map 28, Lot 59A

An after-the-fact permit has been submitted for the clean-up around the pond on the property and removal of soil and debris on the site.

B. Jack B. Coy (owner), Michael Berkun (applicant) permit application for a shed on Roast Meat Hill Road, Map 28, Lot 59A

Members discussed the after-the-fact permit that was submitted at the last meeting for a prefabricated shed that is already on the property, approximately 45' from the wetlands. Members expressed concern about the proximity of the shed to the wetlands, but are more concerned about the buffer zone. They would like to see a plan that includes the species and number of native plants and trees that will be planted in the area. *T. Doyle moved, seconded by S. Dowd, to approve the application with the condition that the applicant submit a detailed plan showing the native grasses and shrubs and trees that will be planted in the buffer zone by the shed, to Enforcement Officer Cathie Jefferson on or before March 1, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.* Members of the commission will review the plan and let the applicant know if it is approved. The commission anticipates that the plantings will be completed in April or May.

NEW BUSINESS

A. A. Forrest King - Application for Special Exception/Site Plan Approval - accessory apartment within existing barn - 12 Fire Tower Road - review only

After discussion of the proposal for an accessory apartment in the existing barn at the Chatfield Hollow Bed & Breakfast on Fire Tower Road, there was a consensus of the members that there are no regulated activities proposed. A memo will be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission stating that.

B. Stephen Ariyan - 52 Tower Hill Road - cutting trees to clear area for horsed

Mr. Ariyan presented to the commission his plan for cutting trees on his property. He is working with Mike Tanner who does timber harvests. The area will not be clear cut; Mr. Tanner told the owner he will "pick and choose" the trees. There are intermittent streams on the property but no wetland crossings are proposed. The equipment will come on the property in an upland area. Mr. Ariyan will be talking with a neighbor about another access point that involves crossing the neighbor's property. C. Jefferson reminded the members that timber harvesting is an as-of-right activity. Her review of the area showed no regulated activities. Mr. Ariyan said he would like to eventually connect the cleared areas to make trails for his horses.

C. Other

1) Membership

First Selectwoman Cathy Iino informed members this evening that Dennis Cronin is no longer a member of the commission. He chose not to be sworn in for another term.

2) Wettish Fields - Parker Hill Road Ext.

Commission member Glen Johnson said there was a second phase in construction of fields on the Wettish property on Parker Hill Road Ext. Plans were drawn up six or seven years ago but no activity took place near the south driveway of the property. Now that the drainage problem in the area has been resolved, members of the Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission are working on reviving the project. It will be the same plan with a slight modification - drainage will connect to the storm sewer now. Enforcement Officer C. Jefferson will research the project to see if a permit was granted from this commission. Discussion will continue at the February meeting.

D. Communications

- 1) IWWC 2015-2016 Budget as of Dec. 30, 2015
- 2) Notice of Vote from December 8, 2015 IWWC meeting
- 3) December Building Permit List
- 4) Application for Special Exception/Site Plan Approval - A. Forrest King - 12 Fire Tower Road
- 5) Site Plan - Proposed Accessory Apartment, Chatfield Hollow Farm

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Lisk
Clerk