

Town of East Haven, CT
Inland Wetland and Watercourse Commission
Zoom Meeting
Minutes
June 10, 2020

1. Call to Order

Chairman Jerry Jaffe called the meeting to order at 7:01PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Jerry Jaffe-present
Rick Raffone-present
Robert Cubellotti-present
Richard Poulton-present
Matt Gallagher-absent
Wendy Bellmore-absent
Vin Corso- absent

Also in attendance was Interim Town Engineer Jonathan Bodwell and attorney Jennifer Coppola

Attorney Coppola requested everyone mute their microphones if able. To speak, please state your name and title (if applicable) and please don't speak over one another. This will allow for an accurate recording. The meeting is being recoded and will be uploaded to the Town Website.

Mr. Cubellotti asked if we could pause for a moment of silence to remember Mary Hank Luzzi, who passed away earlier this week.

4. Approval of Minutes from March 11, 2020

A motion was made by Mr. Cubellotti to approve the minutes from March 11, 2020. (this was a correction to the agenda, which listed the wrong minutes) Said motion was seconded by Mr. Poulton. All were in favor.

5. Public Comment: None

6. New Business

- A. Call for new applications: None
- B. Call for any other new business: None

7. Old Business- None

8. Enforcement-

A. Update on 461 N. High Street (Maple Street/Farm River) Cease & Desist Order and Notice of Violation.

Mr. Poulton noted that the address should be 1309 North High St, not 461. Mr. Bodwell stated that he was in the process of reviewing the file on this property. It appears that it had been granted prior approval (Application 08-05) but he needed some time to continue review and consult with the Town Attorney. He also stated that there was a lengthy history on the Diamond Marine property and he was also reviewing those records as well. Mr. Poulton stated that at the time Application 08-05 was approved, that no letter of approval was sent out, the approval was just reflected in the minutes. Mr. Bodwell noted that according to flags placed on the property when the bridge was replaced, the wetlands come up to the back of the garage. Mr. Poulton stated the minutes for 10-17-19 noted a Cease & Desist would be sent out and inquired if anyone had copies of the letters. Mr. Jaffe noted that he had copies of the letter but it did not appear that they have been sent with any tracking or signature on them. He stated that Mr. White had visited the property and there was hesitation on getting Mr. White to act on the issue. Mr. Poulton noted that the homeowner also owned property at 66 Maple St, and that communication could also be sent there. Mr. Poulton asked if there were any photos and could they be resent to commissioners. Attorney Coppola stated that yes, they could be resent.

B. Update on Diamond Marine: Phases 1 & 2.

Mr. Bodwell stated that he was working on what he thought would be an amicable resolution to Phase 1.

9. Other Business –

A. Welcome our Interim Town Engineer, Jonathan Bodwell.

Mr. Bodwell officially introduced himself and gave a brief synopsis of this background and work history.

B. Status of commission appointments.

Kristen Vineyard, Clerk, stated that she had received any updated list from the Town Clerk's office and that Matt Gallagher was still listed a commissioner and that Vincent Corso and Wendy Bellmore as alternates. Mr. Jaffe stated that there had been some confusion when Wendy Bellmore was appointed, she did not realize she was an alternate. Mr. Gallagher is moving out of town and the hope was that once he moved and submitted his resignation that Ms. Bellmore could be moved to his position.

10. Communications/Correspondence-

Mr. Jaffe spoke regarding the fact that the Commission did not have a mailbox at Town Hall, as that previously all mail went to Engineering and if there was issue with mail addressed to the commission make it to the correct location. Mr. Bodwell noted that he would get any mail addressed to the commission to the Clerk or bring it to a meeting.

11. Comments from members – None

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Raffone to adjourn the meeting at 7:34. Said motion was seconded by Mr. Cubellotti. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Vineyard, Clerk