Town of East Haven Inland Wetland and Watercourse Commission Minutes June 12, 2013

Chairman Richard Poulton called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

- 1. Richard Poulton, Ronald Andrade, Jerri Jaffe and Eric Warmoth were in attendance. Also present were Kevin White, Town Engineer and Attorney Al Zullo.
- 2. A motion was made by Mr. Jaffe to accept the minutes from March 13, 2013, seconded by Mr. Warmoth. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained.

3. Old Business:

05-10 15 Elliot Street-(Owner Richard D'Antonio, 72 Queach Road, Branford, CT)

This application goes back to August 10, 2005. It appeared that the mitigation was never done. The owner bought the property from Mr. Perrelli and has done all the work necessary except for planting shrubs. Mr. White said at least 70 shrubs need to go in the area. Attorney Zullo stated that a CO was issued by accident and he doesn't intend to punish the new owners. A temporary CO will be issued with a time limit of September 30, 2013. An inspection will be done at that time to see if the vegetation had taken. The owner will come back to the commission to confirm that the plantings have been done and that all conditions are met.

- 4. There was no New Business.
- 5. There were no Administrative Approvals.

6. Enforcement:

Mr. Warmoth made a motion to move 3 Monte Circle up on discussion, seconded by Mr. Jaffe. (Owner John Cacace, 3 Monte Circle, East Haven, CT) a NOV was issued stating the owners were conducting a regulated activity in a wetland/watercourse. The owners received a complaint from a neighbor about built up brish and stumps which was causing water backup in the storm drain. He hired a landscaper to come clean it up, who was

unaware that the storm drain was there. There is a very active ecological wetland in that area and right now it's difficult to determine where the wetlands start. It appears that a 2500 square foot area that has been filled. The commission recommended plantings and to delineate the area. Town Engineer Kevin White will work with the owners to remedy the situation. The NOV will stay in place until cleared. The owners were asked to contact Mr. White when finished so an inspection could be done.

The Warner Road issue is a continuation of the March meeting. The NOV was issued for failing to maintain erosion control methods. Mr. White said that the issue has supposedly been corrected twice before and if it fails again for the third time, they will not get a break. There needs to be continual action and careful attention must be paid to this or there will be serious problems. Tomorrow night will be a good test to see if the fixes work or if they fail again.

Mr. Poulton asked Mr. White about possibly getting an assistant. Mr. White stated that he's hoping that for next budget season because he needs to have a serious effort made for an enforcement officer because he can't be everywhere.

- 7. There was no other business.
- 8. There were no communications.
- 9. There were no comments from members
- 10. Mr. Warmoth made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 seconded by Mr. Jaffe. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda S. LaLuna Acting Clerk