

**CORRECTED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR IWWC MEETING via ZOOM
FEBRUARY 2, 2021**

Present: Vice Chairman Dwayne Xenelis, Mike Engels, Karl Gelotte, Vincent Neri, IWW Enforcement Officer Heidi Wallace and Commission Attorney John Casey.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Vice Chairman Dwayne Xenelis.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None.

3. OLD BUSINESS: None.

1. Notice of Violation – Bassett Charters, LLC – 177 Boston Post Road, Assessor ID 187/001 – excavation and deposition of material in upland review area and inland wetland:

Applicant Paul Zable was present as well as Engineer Bob Doane. Also present was Attorney Ed Cassella and adjacent property owner Richard White. Mr. Doane stated that Soil Scientist Rich Snarski went out to look at the property but *had* difficulty auguring through the gravel. Mr. Snarski suggested using the flag markings from 2018 when the property was originally flagged. The appropriate areas were located and a survey crew was sent out to locate the top of slope, the toe of slope and where the original silt fencing should be located. All of this gathered information was added to the plans after the survey was completed. The fill has been pushed into the wetlands and over the property line. The applicant is proposing to pull back all the fill that was placed in the wetland back to 5' from the wetland line. No wetland soils are to be removed, only the fill. They will then replant the area with herbaceous wetland plants as directed by Soil Scientist Rich Snarski. Mr. Snarski will not make his decision about planting until he sees the exposed wetland soil first. Mr. Snarski will direct and monitor all plantings for 1 year. There will be a 5' buffer and when all work is completed, a fence will be installed in the location shown, so there will be no future activity in the area. The chain link fence was on the original plan that was approved, but never installed. Mr. Doane stated that the drainage from Boston Post Road goes to an 18" reinforced concrete pipe. They are proposing to remove the large stump located to the left of the pipe and excavate the area to expose the end of the pipe and create a 5 x 5 sq. ft. area with modified riprap at the outlet of the pipe in order to prevent vegetation from growing. It will prevent scouring and will make it easier to maintain and keep free of sediment.

Vincent Neri asked the depth of the pad. The answer was 18". Dwayne Xenelis asked if the clean-up will be all the way to the fence and that all fill in the neighbor's property will be removed. The answer was yes. Mr. Xenelis asked if there would be any stock piles. It was answered that yes there would be, but it will eventually be removed. The applicant stated that would also install silt fencing around the stockpile.

Commission Attorney John Casey stated that the applicant must file a complete application for modification and include everything that was discussed this evening. This application would be handled like any other application. He further recommended that they get permission from the neighboring property owner to conduct activities on his property. A condition of approval should include a "finish by" date. IWW Enforcement Officer Heidi Wallace requested that a full and complete application be submitted for the

March meeting and the applicant and any of his representatives be present at said meeting. Karl Gelotte asked how the excavation of the material would be handled. Mr. Doane explained the process and stated that no wetland material would be removed.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

1. 380 Horse Hill Road, Assessor ID 155/004 – application for 44’ x 32’ 2-bedroom carriage house with an attached 44’ x 10’ open covered porch, septic system and raingarden in the upland review area:

Engineer Ross Gladstone was present representing applicant John McCall. He stated that this is a 5.9 acres but it is very long and narrow. There are 2.4 acres of wetlands on the property. The majority of the front of the property is wetlands and ledge. The driveway has 3 wetland crossings. There is a lot of rock and will need a lot of blasting. The plan indicates that there is a conservation restriction on the property. Heidi Wallace stated that she has pictures of the property in her report and that a lot of the property has already been cleared. Mr. Gladstone went over the location of the building, porch, septic system and rain garden. There will be silt fencing around the entire property. There will be 2 stockpile areas. The majority of the driveway was approved in 2020 by IWWC, ACOE and CT DOT.

Upon a motion by Karl Gelotte, seconded by Vincent Neri, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to accept the application for 380 Horse Hill Road.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

A. Minutes of the Previous Meetings: Regular Meeting 1/5/21 and Site Walk 1/7/21:

Upon a motion by Mike Engels, seconded by Karl Gelotte, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the minutes of the 1/2/21, as amended and to approve the minutes of 1/7/21, as submitted,

B. Chairman’s Comments: None.

C. Correspondence: None.

D. Staff Report:

Distributed and discussed.

E. Commission Member Reports: None.

F. Bills:

Upon a motion by Vincent Neri, seconded by Karl Gelotte, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve payment of the following bills:

Heidi Wallace - \$60.49 (Mileage reimbursement for July and August)

G. Elections and By-laws:

Tabled until the March Meeting.

H. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Mike Engels, seconded by Karl Gelotte, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to adjourn at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen H. Kelemen, Secretary

As transcribed from a recording of the meeting.

NOTE: All changes indicated in bold, underline and italicized print.