

**Inland Wetlands Commission
Regular Meeting
Draft Minutes
October 6, 2016**

Seated for the meeting were Lee Reichart, Nat Trumbull, Raul Ferreira, and Dennis Unites.
The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Old Business

Mr. Unites moved to change the agenda to hear applications c. d. and e. first, seconded by Mr. Ferreira, all in favor 4-0, motion approved.

IW #16-11 David Sitver - Seeking permit for 8' x 12' shed to be located in the upland review area. Property located on 34 Clarence Ave., Pawcatuck. Assessor's Map 11 Block 5 Lot 35, Zone RA-20.

Mr. Sitver stated they are seeking approval for a prebuilt shed to be placed in the upland review area on cement blocks. Soil scientist James Cowen stated there will not be an adverse effect on the wetlands. The shed will house a red tailed hawk.

Mr. Unites moved to approve the application, seconded by Mr. Ferreira, all in favor 4-0, motion approved.

IW #16-12 Howard & Alison Jones - Seeking a permit to construct 10' x 16' shed and above ground pool in the upland review area. Property located on 29 Maple Street, Stonington. Assessor's Map 130 Block 9 Lot 2, Zone RM-20.

Mr. Jones stated they are seeking approval to construct a shed and aboveground pool in the upland review area.

Mr. Ferreira moved to approve the application, seconded by Mr. Unites, all in favor 4-0, motion approved.

IW #16-13 Coast Guard Academy Foundation, Inc. (Stonington Country Club, Inc.) - Seeking a permit to enlarge existing pond in the wetland and upland review area. Property located at 394 Taugwonk Road, Stonington. Assessor's Map 69 Block 1 Lot 3, Zone GBR-130.

Peter Gardner presented the site plan and application for the proposed enlargement of the pond. In May of this year, the pond was nearly dry; the applicant is proposing to nearly double the size of the pond.

Mr. Ferreira moved to approve the application with two stipulations:

1. Staff shall be notified prior to the start of construction to inspect sediment/erosion control measurements.
2. Recommendations from Soil Scientist, Ian T. Cole are to be placed on the final plans and are to be implemented as a condition of this approval.

Seconded by Mr. Trumbull, all in favor 4-0, motion approved.

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IW #16-09 Town of Stonington/Deans Mill School - Seeking a permit to construct an addition to the existing school. Regulated activities include additional paved parking, playgrounds, construction of a stormwater management system and associated site improvements located within the upland review area. Property located on 35 Deans Mill Road, Stonington. Assessor's Map 124 Block 2 Lot 8, Zone RR-80.

Ryan Chmielewski of Milone and MacBroom presented the site plan and application. Mr. Chmielewski explained the current conditions of the site and the proposed plans. A portion of the school will be demolished and an addition will be added to the other portion that will also be renovated. The playground areas will be relocated behind the building. The parking will be relocated where the portion of the school is being demolished.

Dan Kroger, project engineer presented the storm water management and erosion control plans. There will be a detention basin located near the wetlands to collect storm water therefore causing no impact to the hydrology of the wetlands. Mr. Kroger gave an overview of the planned activities in the upland review area and directly in the wetlands. The water that flows into the site will be directed into two swales pre-construction and directed to the detention pond and wetlands to avoid contaminants from the construction. A maintenance plan and inspection plan has been created.

William Root, soil scientist gave an overview of the wetland mapping and condition of the wetlands. Ms. Palmer read soil scientist Matthew Sanford's report into the record. It is his professional opinion there will not be an adverse impact to the wetlands.

Mr. Trumbull moved to approve the application with one stipulation:

1. The comments from the Third Party Engineer and the Town Engineer shall be placed on the final plans and be implemented as a condition of approval.

Seconded by Mr. Unites, all in favor 4-0, motion approved.

IW #16-10 Town of Stonington/West Vine School - Seeking a permit for an addition and site improvements. Regulated activities include: new emergency access drive with additional paving, grading, storm drainage upgrades and associated site work located within the upland review area. Property located on 17 West Vine Street, Pawcatuck. Assessor's Map 2 Block 1 Lot 3 & Map 16, Block 12, Lot 2; Zone GBR-130/RH-10.

Tabled at applicant's request.

Regulations, Discussions, etc.:

- a. Stone Acres – Christopher Dixon
The Commission determined that this is an "as-of-right activity" as the property is an existing farm and the pond is less than three acres in size.
- b. Approval of the 2017 Meeting Calendar – approved unanimously.

Minutes

Mr. Ferreira moved to approve the September 1, 2016 and October 1, 2016 minutes, seconded by Mr. Trumbull, all in favor 4-0, motion approved.

Mr. Ferreira moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Trumbull, all in favor 4-0, the meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.