Town of Lebanon INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Lebanon Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room Monday, February 1, 2016 – 7:00 PM

MINUTES

Members Present: Chairman James McCaw, Secretary Robert Slate, John Drum, Jim Bender,

Jim Hallene, Carl Bender, Dennis Latchum, Dean Gustafson

Members Absent: David Martin

Others Present: Holli Pianka, Land Use Secretary

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman McCaw.

Dean Gustafson made a motion, seconded by Jim Hallene, to add permit IW-AR-15-5121 under Old Business and Election of Officers under New Business. Motion unanimously approved.

II. Approval of Minutes:

a. Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by John Drum, to approve the January 4, 2016 Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion unanimously approved. Abstained: Gustafson

III. Old Business:

a. **IW-AR-15-5121**: Frank Rodriguez, owner, Trumbull Highway, Assessors Map 229, Lot 6. Selective timber harvest.

Scott Person, supervising forester, and Brian Riendeau, owner of the tree removal company spoke on the application. Approval is requested to cut approximately one dozen trees within 50 feet of brook in addition to the project approved on 1/4/16. Mr. Person stated that the majority of the area is dry and can pull the trees without disturbing wetlands. Mr. Riendeau stated that his equipment can extend and maintain a distance of 30 feet from the brook causing minimal disturbance to the area.

The commission requested a site walk to be scheduled and that all trees to be removed will be marked with blue ribbon. If necessary, a regular wetlands permit application will be completed by the applicant.

IV. New Business:

a. **IW-AR-16-5162**: Ted & Pam Cone, 163 Exeter Road, Assessors Map 234, Lot 24.001. Expand cropland.

Mr. Cone was present to speak on the application. Plan reviewed, dated 1/11/16, prepared by Wesley Wentworth, Wentworth Civil Engineers. Mr. Cone should submit separate permit for area to fill.

Discussion took place and the commission requested to schedule a site walk.

b. **IW-AR-16-5171**: Kenneth Benson, owner, Karl Riendeau, applicant, 33 Oliver Road Assessors Map 229, Lot 15 & Map 236, Lot 61. Selective timber harvest.

Commission reviewed the application and Scott Person amended the permit noting that no trees will be removed within 50 feet of Pease Brook. Mr. Person will mark all trees to be removed. The commission requested to schedule a site walk.

Carl Bender made a motion, seconded by Jim Hallene, that the commission agrees the proposed activity is determined to be an as-of-right activity. The motion was unanimously approved.

c. **IW-AR-16-5172**: Marilou Terwilliger, owner, Karl Riendeau, applicant, Oliver Road, Assessors Map 236, Lot 60. Selective timber harvest.

Commission reviewed the application and Scott Person amended the permit noting that no trees will be removed within 50 feet of Pease Brook. Mr. Person will mark all trees to be removed. The commission requested to schedule a site walk.

Carl Bender made a motion, seconded by Jim Hallene, that the commission agrees the proposed activity is determined to be an as-of-right activity. The motion was unanimously approved.

d. **IW-AR-16-5173**: Timothy Cochran, owner, Karl Riendeau, applicant, 99 Oliver Road Assessors Map 237, Lot 19. Selective timber harvest.

Commission reviewed the application and Scott Person amended the permit noting that no trees will be removed within 50 feet of Pease Brook. Mr. Person will mark all trees to be removed. The commission requested to schedule a site walk.

Carl Bender made a motion, seconded by Jim Hallene, that the commission agrees the proposed activity is determined to be an as-of-right activity. The motion was unanimously approved.

e. Election of Officers

Chairman McCaw asked for nominations for commission offices.

Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by Robert Slate, to nominated James McCaw for the position of IWC Chairman. Motion unanimously approved. There were no other nominations. Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by Robert Slate to elect James McCaw as Chairman of the Inland Wetlands Commission. Motion unanimously approved.

Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by Dennis Latchum, to nominate Robert Slate as IWC Secretary. Motion unanimously approved. There were no other nominations. Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by Dennis Latchum, to elect Robert Slate as Secretary of the Inland Wetlands Commission. Motion unanimously approved.

- V. <u>Correspondence</u>: On file.
- VI. Jim Bender made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Robert Slate. Motion approved unanimously and meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Holli E. Pianka, Land Use Secretary February 8, 2016

(Minutes are unapproved as of transcription date.)