

Town of Lebanon  
**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**  
Regular Meeting  
Lebanon Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room

Monday, June 4, 2012 – 7:00 PM

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Chairman James McCaw, Sec. Robert Slate, John Drum, James Hallene,  
David Martin, Dean Gustafson, Jim Bender, Carl Bender, Dennis Latchum  
Others Present: Philip Chester, Town Planner and Holli Pianka, Secretary

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman McCaw.
- II. Acceptance of Minutes:
  - a. Sec. Slate made a motion to approve the May 14, 2012, Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by John Drum. Members voted unanimously to approve the minutes with the following corrections (Abstained: R. Slate):  
Page 1, Item III, Correct “Mr. Hallow” to “Mr. Harlow” in lines 2 and 3.
  - b. Sec. Slate made a motion to approve the May 22, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Jim Hallene. Approved unanimously.
  - c. Jim Hallene made a motion to approve the May 29, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes with the change that J. Drum and R. Slate were absent, seconded by Dean Gustafson. Approved with R. Slate, C. Bender, D. Martin, J. Drum abstaining.
- III. New Business:
  - a. **#IW-12-1300:** Amston Lake Southwest Cove, 18 Sunset Drive, Assessors Map 105, Lot 177. Paula Clements, owner, Amston Lake District, applicant.  
Maintenance dredging permit to remove 3,000 cubic yards.  
  
Dave O’Brien, President of the Amston Lake District was present to speak for the application. He reviewed the proposed plan dated 2/12/2012 (prepared by Joseph E. Polulech, P.E., 1400 Route 171, Woodstock Valley, CT, 06282), stating that the overall project borders the Towns of Lebanon, Hebron and Colchester and located the areas of sediment removal, stockpiling and access points on the map. Equipment used will include either a dredging machine (caterpillar type) or crane. The district will simultaneously be working on the main dam and spillway on the Hebron side causing the water to be lowered around the lake exposing two to three feet of shoreline and about two and a half feet deep of accumulated sediment. The stockpiles will be dewatered and removed from the watershed. In the past, this material has been accepted by Lebanon farmers and Town of Hebron for their athletic fields and Mr. O’Brien will again see if this is an option for removal. Mr. O’Brien believes the amount of sediment removed will be approximately 1,500 cubic yards on the Lebanon side. The start date of the project should be the end of October and will continue for about 2 weeks. This item will be placed on next month’s agenda.

- b. **#IW-AR-12-1327:** 1102 Trumbull Highway, Assessors Map 247, Lot 8, James Grover, owner. Pond creation and reclaim pasture.

This item will be discussed after old business.

#### IV. Old Business

- a. **#IW-12-1237:** 6 Deepwood Drive, Assessors Map 103, Lot 95. Joyce Clark, owner, Brett Harlow, BSA Landscaping, applicant. Yard drain and pipe.

A site walk of the property was conducted on 5/22/12. Dave O'Brien, President of the Amston Lake District requests that the Commission wait until the District has a chance to discuss the project at its June meeting. This item tabled to the next regular meeting.

- b. **#IW-AR-12-1253:** 894 Exeter Road, Assessors Map 245, Lot 18. Lincoln Chesmer, owner. Clearing for cropland and improvements to wetland crossings.

A site walk of the property was conducted on 6/22/12. Mr. Chester reported that the applicant will be amending their application. This item tabled to the next regular meeting.

- c. **#IW-12-1262:** 220 Norwich Avenue, Assessors Map 275, Lot 39. Trevor A. Foster, owner. Excavation for pond construction.

A site walk of the property was conducted on 5/29/12 that showed no other major improvements to be conducted on the site other than seeding and silt fence. Mr. Foster stated that only the southerly side of the pond needs to be widened to complete the work with the finished size of the pond being 45 by 100 foot as shown on the plans.

**Carl Bender made a motion to approve the application, seconded by David Martin with the understanding that Mr. Foster has begun the work and will finish work within one year. Approved unanimously.**

- d. **#IW-12-1281:** 1102 Trumbull Highway, Assessors Map 247, Lot 8, James Grover Clearing and pond creation.

Joseph Boucher, Land Surveyor of Towne Engineering, Inc., Rt. 32, South Windham, CT, and John Ienni, Soil Scientist were present to speak for the application. Mr. Grover has amended his as of right application to a regular wetlands permit application. The revised plan dated 5/4/12, was submitted indicating the limits of the 100 year flood zone and also the inlet pipe over the brook which might create a diversion has been removed. Mr. Boucher stated that he estimates about 20,000 square feet (1/2 acre) been filled.

The Commission scheduled a site walk for Monday, June 18, at 6:00 p.m.

Also New Business:

- b. **#IW-AR-12-1327:** 1102 Trumbull Highway, Assessors Map 247, Lot 8, James Grover. Pond creation and reclaim pasture.

Joseph Boucher and John Ienni presented the plan dated 4/26/12, with revisions added 5/30/12. Mr. Grover is proposing an underdrain system be installed in wetlands and a pond created. Disturbance of approximately 4,900 square feet would take place with construction of this pond. Mr. Chester asked Mr. Ienni if he believed the request fell under “as-of-right” and he said yes.

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- V. Executive Session  
No action taken.
- VI. Town Planner’s Report:  
Mr. Chester discussed various wetland issues and potential enforcement actions.
- VII. Correspondence: None.
- VIII. Sec. Slate made a motion to adjourn, seconded by John Drum and approved unanimously.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Holli E. Pianka, Land Use Secretary  
June 8, 2012

*(Minutes are unapproved as of transcription date.)*