

Town of Lebanon  
**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**  
Special Meeting  
Lebanon Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room  
Monday, July 25, 2016 – 7:00 PM

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Chairman James McCaw, Secretary Robert Slate, Jim Hallene, Carl Bender, Dennis Latchum, Jim Bender, Dean Gustafson

Members Absent: John Drum, David Martin

Others Present: Philip Chester, Town Planner and Holli Pianka, Land Use Secretary

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

II. Approval of Minutes:

- a. **Robert Slate made a motion, seconded by Dean Gustafson, to approve the July 11, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion unanimously approved.**

III. Old Business:

- a. **IW-16-5439:** Prides Corner Farms, owner, Waterman & Hoxie Roads, Assessors Map 262, Lot 1. Proposed recycling pond.

Christian Joseph of Prides Corner Farms and Matthew Maynard, PE, Town Engineering were present. Mr. Maynard discussed revisions to the plan.

As requested by the commission, Mr. Handfield witnessed soil test pits in the proposed pond area. Revised plans dated 7/19/16 and revised drainage calculation results were submitted for Mr. Handfield's review. Mr. Handfield stated in letter dated 7/20/16 that the applicant had adequately addressed all comments.

**Dean Gustafson made a motion to approve application IW-16-5439, seconded by Dennis Latchum. Motion unanimously approved.**

IV. New Business:

- a. **IW-AR-16-5566:** Karl Riendeau, applicant, David & Sandra Opal, owners, Tobacco Street, Map 228, Lot 11.001 & Map 229, Lot 20. Selective timber harvest.

Scott Person was present for discussion. At the commission's request, Mr. Person amended the application and plan dated 7/18/16, to add the removal of trees in wetlands and locate landing area. He also amended his application to maintain a 50 foot buffer from Pease Brook.

**Dean Gustafson made a motion, seconded by Jim Hallene, that the commission considers application #IW-AR-16-5566 to be an as-of-right activity. Motion unanimously approved.**

- b. **IW-16-5573:** Ken Pauze, applicant, Hillandale Farms Conn LLC, owner, 400 Mack Road, Assessors Map 244, Lot 1. Proposed expansion of fire pond.

A meeting had previously taken place with Mr. Chester, Mr. Nowosad and Ken Pauze, following a large fire that had occurred in the spring at the Mack Road property. Ken Pauze applicant, Ed Hoffman, V.P. of Hillandale Farms, and John Lyon, Lebanon Fire Chief, were present for the discussion. Mr. Pauze stated that he has applied for the fire pond expansion at the request of the Town of Lebanon and the Lebanon Fire Department to increase the pond capacity should another fire emergency take place at the property. The request also includes an addition of a dry hydrant at the front of the property. Mr. Lyon supports the project and stated that if the fire had been any larger, the pond water would have been completely depleted. Mr. Chester noted that by state statute, fire ponds and hydrants are considered permitted as-of-right activities for agricultural purposes. Dean Gustafson noted that the pond, approximately one half acre, is essential to farming operations as a safety feature and feels it is eligible as an as-of-right activity. Mr. Pauze amended his application from a regular permit to an as-of-right permit, added removal of 1,300 yards and located the stockpile area.

**Dean Gustafson made a motion, seconded by Jim Hallene, that the revised application IW-AR-16-5573 is acceptable as an as-of-right activity. Motion unanimously approved.**

V. Town Planner's Report:

- a. Buffer Permits: None.
- b. As of Right Permits: None.
- c. Enforcements: None.
- d. Other:

Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by Dean Gustafson, to cancel the August 1, 2016, IWC regular meeting. Motion unanimously approved.

VI. Correspondence: None.

VII. Jim Bender made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Robert Slate. Motion approved unanimously and meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Holli E. Pianka, Land Use Secretary  
July 28, 2016

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