# Town of Lebanon INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

## Special Meeting

Lebanon Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room Tuesday, February 4, 2014 – 7:00 PM

## **MINUTES**

Members Present: Chairman Jim McCaw, John Drum, Jim Hallene, Jim Bender, Carl Bender,

Dennis Latchum

Members Absent: Robert Slate, David Martin, Dean Gustafson

Others Present: Philip Chester, Town Planner, Holli Pianka, Secretary

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman McCaw.

#### II. Acceptance of Minutes:

a. Jim Bender made a motion, seconded by John Drum, to approve the January 6, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

III. Old Business: None.

#### IV. New Business:

a. **IW-14-3270**: York Road, Map 252, Lot 7, (near Goshen Hill) Darwin Gebbie, applicant. Stonewall reconstruction.

Mr. Chester was alerted to stonewall construction and some tree removal near wetlands. Wes Wentworth spoke on behalf of the applicant and reviewed his plan, dated 1/23/14, of existing conditions and remaining work proposed. He noted that there appeared to be minimal disturbance of wetlands during reconstruction of an existing stonewall in an area approximately 800 to 900 square feet. The stabilization plan includes placing hay bales along the edge of disturbed wetlands and stockpile and excavating fill back to the original state, seeding after frost. One or two cut logs will be removed from the buffer area.

This item will be placed on next month's agenda.

b. **IW-AR-13-3252**: 11 Leonard Bridge Road, Map 226, Lot 13, Lee & Trudi Zuidema, owners. Timber harvest/wetlands crossing.

Mr. Zuidema was present and explained that in 1991 he had completed a stone walking path across the stream to access the rear part of his property on foot and is now seeking permission to construct a stone crossing to drive a vehicle across for the purpose of harvesting firewood. In the spring, the water moves and area is muddy, but is dry through the summer.

This item will be placed on next month's agenda.

c. **IW-BUF-14-3266**: 452 Deepwood Drive, Map 105, Lot 189. William and Marianne Freitas, owners. Construction of addition and deck.

Mr. and Mrs. Freitas were present to speak on the application. Both the addition and deck will be built on pillars, with the deck located 75 feet from edge of Amston Lake, unless their variance is approved, in which case 69 feet from Lake. It was the consensus of the Commission to authorize Mr. Chester to issue a permit.

d. **IW-BUF-14-3267**: 38 Deepwood Drive, Map 103, Lot 90, Beth Sullivan, owner. Perimeter drain.

A 2/4/14 email from Mrs. Sullivan to Mr. Chester entered into the record and plan was reviewed. The contractor was present on behalf of the owner. Trench will be no deeper than 2½ feet. The Commission requested to schedule a site walk of the property most likely during the month of March.

- V. <u>Town Planner's Report:</u> Mr. Chester noted that Dennis Latchum had received the first annual Lebanon Conservation Award from the Conservation and Agriculture Commission for his outstanding work in helping preserve Lebanon's environment.
- VI. <u>Discuss Proposed Revision of Wetlands Regulations</u>: No discussion took place. This item will be placed on the March meeting agenda.
- VII. Correspondence:
  - a. Regarding email from Patti Handy, add commission member reappointment and election of officers to March agenda.
  - b. CFL Newsletter and CT Wildlife.
- VIII. Jim Bender made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dennis Latchum and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Holli E. Pianka, Land Use Secretary February 10, 2014

(Minutes are unapproved as of transcription date.)