

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD
APPLICATION# 23 IWC 18
REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, December 14, 2023

Prepared by Stacy Radford, Zoning & Wetlands Officer

Applicant: Frank Crandall
Property Owner: Frank and Linda Crandall
Address: 10 Daisy Hill Drive (Parcel ID: 011-002-004)
Meeting Date: December 14, 2023
Date Received by IWC: December 14, 2023 (*DRD – February 17, 2024*)

Applicant Request: As of right determination for activities within the wetlands and the upland review area in conjunction with the proposed removal of fallen/uprooted trees, cutting of dead trees and removal of invasive vines on 20.32 acres.

Activity Description:

Wetland Disturbance Area	Applicant states approx. 4800 SF
Watercourse/Waterbody Disturbance Area	0 LF
Upland Review Disturbance Area	Applicant states approx. 8350 SF

STAFF COMMENTS:

- The property is located on 20.3 acres in the R-40 zoning district with approximately 25 feet of frontage on Daisy Hill Drive. The property is currently developed with a single-family residence.
- The Applicant had a previous IWC Application (#220IWC8) for the construction of a driveway crossing.
- This Application is for an as of right determination for activities within the wetlands and the upland review area to remove fallen/uprooted trees, cut dead trees and remove invasive vines which the Applicant states damage/kill trees (photos attached with the Application). The proposed trees to be removed have been marked by the Applicant in green with a red circle around them on the plan entitled, “Plot Plan Frank Crandall Lots 3 and 4 New London Turnpike (Rt. 85) and Daisy Hill Drive, Montville CT, dated July 9, 2020”.
- The Applicant is proposing to maintain the existing pathway around the pond and to keep it free of trash.
- The Applicant is also proposing to maintain the existing driveway, to include the removal of downed trees and replacement of stones that may be washed away creating pot holes.
- The Applicant proposes to utilize a previously purchased amphibious machine (a picture which is attached with the Application) to conduct any and all work.

CONSIDERATION FOR ACTION:

Should the Commission find this Application to be an “As of Right Determination”, the following language for a Motion for Approval is attached.

MOTION #1 (A Motion to Approve)

After giving due consideration to all relevant factors, including those in Section 4 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulations and Section 22a-40 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I

move that Application# **23 IWC 18**, submitted by Owner/Applicant Frank Crandall for activities within the wetlands and the upland review area to remove fallen/uprooted trees, cut dead trees and remove invasive vines, more fully described in the Application, dated 11/29/2023 is a Permitted Use As of Right and, therefore, no permit is required.

Should the Commission find that this Application requires a Permit, Staff recommends IWC receive and review Application 23 IWC 18, set a date for a site walk (if desired) and table the application to the January 18, 2024 meeting.