

Town of Montville Inland Wetlands Commission
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Town Hall – Town Council Chambers

Regular Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2024

1. Call To Order:

Chairman Douglas Brush called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Chairman Douglas Brush, Vice-Chair Charles O’Bday, Commissioners Sandra Berardy, Joseph Berardy, Jessica LeClair, Raymond Occhialini and Robert Roshto.

Also in attendance was ZWO Stacy Radford.

3. Minutes:

a. Approval of Minutes of the April 18 2024, Regular Meeting.

MOTION: To approve the April 18, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes. **(LeClair/O’Bday).**

Vote: (7-0-0). APPROVED.

4. Public Hearing/Application: None.

5. Show Cause Hearing: None

6. Remarks from the Public not relating to items on the agenda: None

7. Old Business: None.

8. New Business:

- a. **24 IWC 5** – 121B Kitemaug Road, (Parcel ID: 084-134-000), Uncasville, CT.
Owners: Paul & Catherine Humphrey, Applicant: Paul Humphrey, for regulated activities within the URA to loam and seed lawn, construct a patio, cut trees, install a retaining wall, and clean up trash around the wetlands. *(Submitted 3/29/2024, Date of Receipt 4/18/2024, DRD 6/22/2024)*

STAFF COMMENTS:

This Application is for regulated activities within the upland review area to regrade/loam & seed yard, cut & remove a dead tree, plant arborvitae trees, install a patio & retaining wall, and general cleanup of the area.

The property is located on .19 acres in the R-20 zoning district with frontage onto Haughton Cove. The property is currently developed with a single-family residence, constructed in 1938.

On May 21, 2024 the Applicant contacted our office after a load of loam he had delivered to the property was dumped within the URA. A Site Inspection was conducted, a copy of which is attached. It was determined that the loam had been dumped in the “open space”

and almost into the wetlands. The Applicant immediately installed silt fence to prevent any dirt from entering the waterway. The Applicant was made aware that no further activity could continue until such time as a Wetlands Permit was obtained.

On June 4, 2024 the Applicant submitted an Application, Narrative and GIS Diagram with all of his anticipated improvements noted accordingly.

The Applicant is aware of the “open space” which runs parallel to his property. As part of this Application, the Applicant is proposing to clean up this area; including the removal of all trash, old tires, tree stumps and limbs. His intension is to keep this area clear of debris.

ZWO Radford read the Staff Report into the record and introduced the Owner/Applicant Paul Humphrey to the Commission. The Owner/Applicant responded to questions of the Commission regarding the dumping of the top soil and his contact with the Town on the matter; whether the front of the property is protected by silt fence; the intent to construct a new retaining wall; and whether the silt fence and the retaining wall be 50 feet from the lake.

Motion: To table Application 24 IWC 5 to the July 18, 2024, Commission meeting pending a site walk scheduled for July 13, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. (O’Bday/Roshto). **Vote: (7-0-0). APPROVED.**

9. Correspondence:

ZWO Radford reported to the Commission on the appeal of Application 24 IWC 3 by Attorney Jon Chase on behalf of his client. The appeal and corresponding documents in the matter are in the hands of the Town Attorney.

10. Other Business:

ZWO Radford had a brief discussion with the Commission concerning a wetlands violation and the filing of a potential Application to correct the violation.

11. Executive Session: None

12. Adjournment.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. (O’Bday/LeClair). **Vote: (7-0-0). APPROVED.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Gloria J. Gathers
Recording Secretary, Town of Montville

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