

TOWN OF ANDOVER
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
MONDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Members Present: Chair George Elliott, Jed Larson, and William Munroe

Member Absent: Ed Smith (Alternate)

Others Present: Abbie Winter - Board Clerk, Joseph Wagner - Wetland Agent, Angelo Tammaro, Debbie Scanlon, Don DuBois, Eric Anderson, Evan Aguirre, Jay Tuttle, and Shane Vertefeuille

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Chair G.Elliott called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) ROLL CALL/SEATING OF ALTERNATES: No alternates were seated.
- 3) PENDING APPLICATION - Discussion/Public Comment

- a. **Permit Application IWWC 22-02:** Town of Andover, **Shoddy Mill Rd and Birch Drive** - Drainage improvements, pipe and catch basin replacement within wetlands adjacent to Shoddy Mill Rd, and relocation of a watercourse flowing onto Shoddy Mill Rd.

G.Elliott invited members of the public to provide feedback and questions about the application.

Angelo Tammaro, owner of lot 15 on Shoddy Mill Rd, expressed concern for potential increased waterflow into his property. He requested the project extends the pipe at least 100 ft to where the lot slopes downward into the wetlands to deviate the water from his lot. J.Tuttle stated the project will not increase flow to his lot. The three new basins did not change the current water flow, and the water flows behind house number 43. The water will continue to flow in the existing water course, and the project does not plan to increase or change the waterflow between his property and house number 43.

Debbie Scanlon, resident of 23 Shoddy Mill Rd, expressed appreciation for this project's drainage improvement to reduce runoff in her property.

G.Elliott MOVED to adjourn the hearing. J.Larson SECONDED. By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

- 4) ADJOURNMENT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Chair George Elliott, Jed Larson, and William Munroe

Member Absent: Ed Smith (Alternate)

Others Present: Abbie Winter - Board Clerk, Joseph Wagner - Wetland Agent, Don DuBois, Eric Anderson, Evan Aguirre, Jay Tuttle, Jim Roberto, Nick Glowacki, and Shane Vertefeuille

- 5) CALL TO ORDER: Chair G.Elliott called the regular meeting to order at 7:18 p.m.
- 6) ROLL CALL/SEATING OF ALTERNATES: No alternates were seated.
- 7) CHANGES IN ORDER TO AGENDA: None.

8) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. [April 4, 2022 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

G.Elliott MOVED to approve the April 4, 2022 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes. W.Munroe SECONDED. By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

b. [May 2, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

G.Elliott MOVED to approve the May 2, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. J.Larson SECONDED.

The Commission discussed the following edits:

Members Present: Chair George Elliott, Jed Larson, and Ed Smith (Alternate)

Member Absent: William Munroe

Others Present: Joseph Wagner - Wetland Agent, Abbie Winter - Board Clerk, Ed Smith, Elaine Buchardt, Don Keener, Jay Tuttle, Mike Ray, Rebecca Vertefeuille, and Shane Vertefeuille.

By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 2:0:1 (W.Munroe abstained).

9) PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

10) OLD BUSINESS - Discussion/Possible Action

- a. **Permit Application IWWC 22-02: Town of Andover, Shoddy Mill Rd and Birch Drive-** Drainage improvements, pipe and catch basin replacement within wetlands adjacent to Shoddy Mill Rd, and relocation of a watercourse flowing onto Shoddy Mill Rd.

On behalf of the applicant the Town of Andover, Jay Tuttle was present.

J.Larson asked why the Birch Drive section of the project is not included in the present application.

J.Tuttle stated the Birch Drive basin is at the corner of Shoddy Mill and Birch Rd, which flows downhill to the original basin in front of 46 Shoddy Mill. The plan to connect the three newly installed basins to the drainage basins on the upper part of Birch Rd is a future plan, and is not part of this application.

J.Tuttle reported the 3 basins they've completed on Shoddy Mill Rd each have a sump in order to collect road debris.

There was discussion about the spatial relationships between the wetlands and watercourses nearby the work area.

J.Wagner stated 43 Shoddy Mill Road drains into an intermittent watercourse with a defined stream channel, which is why this application needs IWWC approval.

J.Larson asked if the town engineer reviewed this plan. J.Tuttle stated there is not a town engineer available right now, and this project didn't seem like it would need engineer oversight.

W.Munroe asked if improvements are needed where the water is diverted. J.Tuttle reported the project will not change the course of the waterflow. The wetland on the right side of 29 Shoddy Mill Road property will collect the water, which has always been the course of the waterflow.

J.Larson asked if it's best practice to direct all the stormwater runoff into a wetland. J.Larson stated stormwater management plans discourage directing stormwater into

wetlands because the soil won't absorb the water into the ground. J.Wagner stated this is true for development projects with a high amount of sheet flow. This project differs since this regards existing flows that predate the roadways, and it is the natural drainage pattern.

G.Elliott MOVED to approve Application IWWC 22-02. J.Larson SECONDED. By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

- b. **Permit Application IWWC 22-03:** Shane Vertefeuille, **880 and 874 East Street**- Replacement of two steel culverts in an existing driveway crossing over Burnap Brook.

Shane Vertefeuille, the applicant, was present.

G.Elliott MOVED to approve Application IWWC 22-03 with standard conditions.

W.Munroe SECONDED. By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

11) NEW BUSINESS - Take Receipt/Discussion

- a. **Jurisdictional Ruling Review IWWC 22-04(JR):** Evan Aguirre, **43 Jurovaty Road**- Timber Harvest with placement of two temporary bridges across a seasonal watercourse.

Applicant Evan Aguirre and Dan DuBois were present.

D.DuBois provided details on the silvicultural thinning project, and the two temporary stream crossings required by the project. Staddle Brook runs along the property's southeast corner, and there is no plan to harvest near this brook; there is a 100 foot buffer surrounding this brook. An intermittent stream flows from north to south through the property, which is near Stand 2. Two temporary stream crossings are needed for woodland machinery to cross the property for forest management purposes.

D.DuBois described the intended use of portable bridges for the project, which are typically 12" long and can be as long as 24". The bridge will be designed and installed for the site's specific crossings. These bridges will allow for the machinery to cross with no disturbance to the wetlands, and with no impact to the riparian zone

D.DuBois stated the project is a small salvage regeneration thinning operation of 17,000 board feet. The log loading area is off the existing driveway at 43 Jurovaty Rd, just before the Algonquin gas line.

D.Dubois reviewed on the map where the stream crossing are relative to the property boundaries.

The project should take 90 days to complete, weather permitting and without unforeseen circumstances.

G.Elliott MOVED to rule that this activity within IWWC 22-04(JR) is permitted as of right, and does not require an application for an IWWC permit. W.Munroe SECONDED. By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

12) OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Commission Vacancies

G.Elliott reported there are still vacancies, and there is not yet expression of interest.

13) AGENT REPORT/ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

- a. IWWC 21-27 (3 Lakeside Drive) Update

J.Wagner talked to property owner Gary McCullough on the phone about his project's status. J.Wagner reported G.McCullough did not realize the old sandy beach was supposed to be seeded for grass, and J.Wagner clarified to him that this was included in the permit.

J.Wagner stated G.McCullough understood, and has since put topsoil on the top part by the fire pit and seeded the area, as per the approved plan.

b. Algonquin Gas Pipeline Maintenance Notification

J.Wagner reported he received inspection project notifications from Algonquin Gas regarding a few anomalies in the pipeline that they needed to investigate and repair. This activity is out of the Commission's jurisdiction, Algonquin Gas is required to notify the IWWC. ****

W.Munroe expressed concern about the spring that is located near the gas line, and the Algonquin Gas trucks driving through the spring during pipeline maintenance.

G.Elliott stated this is out of the Commission's jurisdiction, Algonquin Gas is required only to notify the committee. G.Elliott stated if there is ever permitting involved, it would be through the state DEEP. J.Wagner noted on the 4th page of Algonquin Gas's notification, there is contact information with a phone number and email address. J.Wagner stated Algonquin Gas may value W.Munroe's local knowledge and they may consider incorporating erosion controls.

c. Pending Application for Agent Approval- IWWC 22-05: Nick Glowacki, 17 Lakeside Drive- Construction of a 22-foot x 36-foot barn and associated infiltration gardens and drywells, and replacement of a septic pump in the 200-foot Upland Review Area of Andover Lake.

J.Wagner reported details of the application, including shed replacement, septic pump replacement, and rerouting piping. The barn site is 40 ft from the lake,

J.Larson expressed enthusiastic support of the nutrient allocation worksheet's runoff mitigation. Nick Glowacki stated the worksheet was helpful regarding the incorporation of rain gardens and drywells.

d. Pending Application for Agent Approval- IWWC 22-06: Jose Nater, 272 Route 6- Placement of a 10-foot x 16-foot shed on a 12-foot x 18-foot gravel base in the 100-foot Upland Review Area of an unnamed brook.

J.Wagner the shed will be on a gravel base on their lawn, 30-feet from the unnamed brook. No tree removal nor excavation required.

14) NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday July 12th, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

15) ADJOURNMENT

G.Elloitt MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. J.Larson SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Abbie Winter,

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Please see the minutes of subsequent meetings for the approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.