

Town of Andover Connecticut

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

Community Room, 17 School Road, Andover

November 13, 2017

Regular Meeting

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** Michael Landolphi calls the meeting to order at 7:06PM

2. **Roll Call/Seating of Alternates**

Members Present: Michael Landolphi, Wayne Thorpe, Richard Osborne

Members Absent: J. England, Ed Smith

Alternates Present: Meghan Lally, seated for John England

Alternates Absent: None

Public Present: Attachment #1

Staff Present: John Valente, Wetlands Agent
Sandra Nichols, Commission Secretary

3. **Additions/Changes to the Agenda:** None

4. **Public Participation:** None

5. **New Business:**

a. 2018 Meeting Dates:

Michael Landolphi Motions to approve the meeting dates as presented (submitted to the Town Clerks Office)

Meghan Lally Seconded

Motion Passed/Unanimous 4/0/0

6. Old Business:

- a. Application of Curt Dowling, 389 Lake Road/Lot 152. Request to stabilize lake front Property with the installation of a rip-rap lake wall. (Application details e-mailed to Commission Members and available in the Building Dept.)

John Valente speaks about this application on behalf of the applicant who is not present. He details the scope of work and how it pertains to the lake front. John then reads the Summary Ruling and the Conditions of Approval and the standard conditions.

Michael Landolphi to approve the application as presented with the conditions read by John Valente.

Wayne Thorpe Seconded

Motion Passed/Unanimous 4/0/0

- b. Application of John and Janice Benda, 157 Lakeside Drive. Request to repair a cement retaining wall on the lake-shore.. (Application details e-mailed to Commission Members and available in the Building Dept.)

John Valente discusses the site walk and what the applicants are asking for from the Commission. He reads a motion that he prepared that he would like the Commission to consider along with the Summary Ruling with the Conditions of approval and the standard conditions.

Wayne Thorpe Motions to approve the application as presented with the conditions read by John Valente.

Richard Osborne Seconded

Motion Passed/Unanimous 4/0/0

Brief discussion on wetland permits and available workshops

- c. Application of Paula Free, 43 Lakeside Drive. Request to build a 33'X2' wall section on the base of the existing wall, install 4 prefabricated steps that look like field stone and build a new 19'X2' section of wall. (Application details e-mailed to Commission Members and available in the Building Dept.)

Mr. Gotta from Gotta and Sons Masonry discusses the work to be done on the site. He uses pictures to show the Commission the scope of work, how it will be done and how the lake will be protected.

Discussion among all on this application/project

John Valente discusses the application/project. He states that there is no net loss on the lake, no machinery on site and no debris falling into the lake. John also notes that this project will be a net gain on the North side of the lake and how the South side had suffered from past natural erosion so there is no net loss there. He then proceeds to read the Conditions of approval along with the standard conditions.

Discussion on the application among all

Meghan Lally Motions to approve the application as presented with the conditions read by John Valente.

Richard Osborne Seconded

Motion Passed/Unanimous 4/0/0

7. Approval of Minutes: (discussed after Agenda Item 5)

October 12, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Wayne Thorpe Motions to accept the October 12, 2017 Minutes as presented

Meghan Lally Seconded

Motion Passed/ Unanimous 4/0/0

8. Administrative Report/Correspondence:

John Valente updates the Commission on the activities that are going on around the ball-field and the river regarding brush removal and tree cutting. He states that the progress that they have made looks great and that they will continue to improve this area. John also mentions the joint meeting on Tuesday with the P&ZC, the BOS and other Commission to discuss the future of Andover.

Brief discussion on the lake and septic systems on the lake.

John Valente updates the Commission on the progress of the bridge project. He also mentions that he asked the P&ZC for a IWWC representative however no one was interested. John next updates the Commission on Josh Clark's house and property and the Blight Ordinance and what properties have been sighted under this Ordinance.

9. Correspondence:

Discussed

10. Adjournment

Richard Osborne Motions to adjourn at 8:34PM

Wayne Thorpe Seconded

Motion Passed/Unanimous 4/0/0

Respectfully submitted by:

Sandra Nichols, Commission Secretary

***These Minutes are submitted as required by the Freedom of Information Act and are not official until formally approved by the Commission.**