

TOWN OF ANDOVER  
**INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION**  
MONDAY, FEBURARY 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.  
LOCATION: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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

Member Absent: Ed Smith (Alternate)

Others Present: Joseph Wagner - Wetland Agent, Abbie Winter - Board Clerk, Robin Messier Pearson, Gary McCullough, Jeff Hays, Matthew Bruton, and Matt Eucalitto

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Chair G.Elliott called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) ROLL CALL/SEATING OF ALTERNATES: No alternates were seated.
- 3) CHANGES IN ORDER TO AGENDA: None.
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. [January 11, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

Item 3 - Changes in Order to Agenda: G.Elliott MOVED to approved the changes to the agenda. MOTION CARRIED by anonymous unanimous consent.

G.Elliott MOVED to approve the January 11, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended. W.Munroe SECONDED. By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

b. [January 22, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes](#)

G.Elliott MOVED to approve the January 22, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes. J.Larson SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

- 5) PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

6) [OLD BUSINESS](#)

- a. **Permit Application IWWC 21-27: IWWC 21-27:** Gary McCullough, **3 Lakeside Drive-** Rebuilding an existing stone wall on the shoreline of Andover Lake and constructing an approximately 15-foot by 25-foot perched beach within the 200-foot Upland Review Area of Andover Lake.

The applicant, G.McCullough, was present.

G.Elliott reported that the Commission received the ALMA approval for the wall and J.Wagner located the original plans for the sand beach.

G.Elliott asked if it will require doing work this winter before the water is raised. G.McCullough agreed.

G.Elliott proposed the Commission defer the vote on the permit and pursue an extension for the application's deadline for action because the newest version of the plan was available shortly before the meeting.

J.Larson stated the concern that the sand needs to be removed from the lakebed before the lake's level is raised. G.McCullough stated he will add this as the first step of the plan.

J.Larson asked how he will remove the sand from the lakebed. G.McCullough stated he will use shovels, wheelbarrows, and his tractor to remove the sand. J.Hays reported the lake will be filled the third week in March.

G.McCullough estimated 15 yards total were delivered, and he's not sure how much sand is specifically on the beach. G.Elliott stated all the sand below the high water mark will be relocated.

J.Wagner walked the Commission through the updated site plan.

J.Larson asked by the plan shifted from a stone wall to a riprap wall. G.McCullough stated New Hampshire documents/plans state riprap walls are a preferred material. There was discussion about integrating riprap into the plans.

W.Monroe recommended to increase the setback distance between the wall and the perched beach to ensure that wave splashes don't erode the beach's sand. J.Wagner noted the property is in a cove, so the waves hitting the property may be more tame.

J.Larson asked if McCullough has identified a contractor for the project. G.McCullough will put out a bid once the project plan is finalized. There was discussion about project timeline logistics.

J.Larson suggested erosion control such as hay bales or silt fences as the project moves into the spring season.

J.Larson requested G.McCulloughs permission to extend the application window 65 day window, extending the deadline to April 15<sup>th</sup>. G.McCullough agreed.

The Commission will continue discussion on this application at the next meeting.

- b. **Permit Application IWWC21-29: Garrett Homes, LLC, 580 Lake Road-** Construction of a 10,640 square foot single story retail building with utilities and paved parking and loading area

The applicant's project manager, M.Bruton, was present.

J.Larson moved to APPROVE **Application IWWC21-29: Garrett Homes, LLC, 580 Lake Road-** Construction of a 10,640 square foot single story retail building with utilities and paved parking and loading area. W.Monroe SECONDED.

G.Elliott noted that the Commission's finding that there is no impact on the Cheney Brook wetland and watercourse supports the Commission's decision.

By roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

## 7) OTHER BUSINESS

- a. CT DEEP Permit Application for the Use of Pesticides in State Waters- Andover Lake (ALMA)

J.Wagner reported he received an application from DEEP pesticide use, applied to on behalf of ALMA.

J.Hays stated ALMA is considering control of invasive aquatic plants, one strategy is using herbicides. They started this permit so it may be used this summer. Another permit may come for preferential dredging to pull the weeds out, which would be a wetlands permit, not a DEEP permit.

W.Monroe noted that there is no use in applying the herbicides if no other regulations are in place to eliminate the introduction of invasive species to the lake. J.Hays noted this has been a discussion point for ALMA that they will continue.

8) ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS: None.

9) AGENT REPORT: None.

10) NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Monday, March 7th 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

11) ADJOURNMENT

G.Elliott MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted by Abbie Winter,

*Abbie Winter*

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