

**Town of Beacon Falls  
Inland Wetlands & Watercourse Commission  
10 Maple Ave  
Beacon Falls, CT 06403**



**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 10, 2013**

Chairman Edward Smith called the Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Edward J. Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik, Commissioners: Richard Minnick, Walter Opuszynski and Michael Opuszynski, Arlene Brumer and David Keating, Wetlands Enforcement Officer and Maryann Kempa, Clerk.

Absent: James Galligan, Town Engineer.

**Pledge of Allegiance – recited**

Chairman Edward Smith requested a motion that this meeting not go past 8:30 p.m.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Richard Minnick and seconded by Commissioner Michael Opuszynski that the agenda be adjusted so the meeting not go past 8:30 p.m.**

**Discussion: None      Vote: 6 in favor      Abstained: 0      Opposed: 0**

**Minutes – September**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Richard Minnick and seconded by Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik to accept the meeting minutes of September as presented.**

**Discussion: None      Vote: 4 in favor      Abstained: 2      Opposed: 0**

**Motion was made and by Commissioner Michael Opuszynski and seconded by Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik to accept the meeting minutes for August 14, 2013 - Tiverton Public Hearing Minutes Continuation with corrections.**

**Discussion: None      Vote: 5 in favor      Abstained: 1      Opposed: 0**

**Comments from the Public – none**

**Public Hearings and Considerations of Public Hearings – none**

**Correspondence**

CACIWC Membership Renewal paid  
Conservation Minutes of Sept. 9, 2013  
Connecticut DEEP's Training for Municipal Inland Wetlands Agencies

**Administrative Reports**

David Keating, Wetlands Enforcement Officer stated he is working with Charles Edwards concerning Kalea's Way. The site plan does not comply with the submitted plans. On the left rear lot there is some minor intrusion into the regulated area of the wetland. No adverse environmental impact. It is different from what the Commission approved. The easterly lot on the right hand side of the road has intrusion into the wetland and substantial work has to be done to correct it. David Keating inquired if he should send a letter to the applicant that he or a representative attends the next meeting or a three person panel be appointed.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Walter Opuszynski and seconded by Commissioner Michael Opuszynski that the applicant/representative attend the November meeting.**

**Discussion: Lot 1 – no impact. A revised plan is needed for the other lot.**

**Vote: 3 in favor            Abstained: 0            Opposed: 3**

**Motion was made by Chairman Edward Smith and seconded by Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik to appoint a three person panel concerning Lot 1 for review and decision. The applicant is required to bring to the board a total plan for the correction of Lot 2.**

**Vote: 3 in favor            Abstained: 2            Opposed: 1**

**Discussion:** Three person panel consists of Commissioner: Michael Opuszynski, Arlene Brumer and Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik.

Chairman Edward Smith is off the board.

**Bonna Drive – Drainage**

David Keating, Wetlands Enforcement Officer stated that one of the vacant parcels on Bonna Drive there is some drainage work that is being done on private property next to the Palmeri's house. A drainage pipe was installed which will eventually connect into the town's drainage system on Bonna Drive. A rip rap swale was installed. The town engineer suggested that Commissioner look at the plan to determine if a permit is needed. Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik stated a storm water management permit is needed. John Smith stated he took a permit for drainage pipes in 2011. John Smith explained the work which was done. Commissioner Richard Minnick stated that a storm water management permit is needed for Lot 40. David Keating, Wetlands Enforcement Officer stated that the Town Engineer is satisfied with the plan.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Richard Minnick and seconded by Commissioner Michael Opuszynski that a storm water management permit is needed for Lot 40, Bonna Drive.**

**Discussion: None            Vote: 5 in favor            Abstained: 0            Opposed: 0**

Chairman Edward Smith is back on the board.

**Report of Accounts – received**

**Payment of Bills**

Nafis & Young - \$2,754.99, \$833.75  
Atty. Byrne - \$525.00  
David Keating - \$317.52  
Maryann Kempa - \$181.50

**Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Opuszynski and seconded by Commissioner Walter Opuszynski to pay the bills as submitted.**

**Discussion: None      Vote: 5 in favor      Abstained: 1      Opposed: 0**

Chairman Edward Smith abstained voting on Atty. Byrne and Nafis & Young bills.

**Application A-2004-348 Chatfield Farms Active Adult Development Phases 1 & 2**

**Application A-2005-255 Chatfield Farms Active Adult Dev. Phase 3, 4 & 5**

A letter dated October 9, 2013 was received from Matthew Gilchrist stating: EG Home has four lots under development. One model is at frame, the second foundation will be poured tomorrow. Two additional and adjacent units are being excavated. No significant site improvements have taken place since the last meeting. Storm water management continues to be in good shape and is functioning as designed. Calculations and plans are complete for the repairs and improvements of the pond out flow structure. Once approved by DEEP a construction schedule will be completed.

**New Applications – none**

**Public Hearings – none**

**Toby's Pond**

Commissioner Richard Minnick stated that the southern spill way is done. The gazebo has not been constructed. You can walk around the entire pond.

**State of Connecticut Fees**

**Miscellaneous – none**

**Conservation Commission Representative - Invitation for Lantern Ridge.**

**Petition from Commissioners – The board thanked Maryann Kempa for her years of service.**

**Motion was made by Vice Chairman Stephen Knapik and seconded by Commissioner Michael Opuszynski to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Maryann Kempa*

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Clerk

