

CONSERVATION AND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT
Town Hall 174 Main Street Deep River, Connecticut 06417

A regular meeting of the Deep River Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission held on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at the Deep River Town Hall Auditorium was called to order at 9:47 p.m. following a duly called public hearing. Members present: George Atwood, John Dube, Ron Larsen, Carol Libby, Tanner Steeves, Alternate Michael Tomlinson, and Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher. Absent: Susan Board and Alan Mizejeski. Also present: Nancy Howard (recording secretary), Theodore Batko. Chairman Steeves seated Alternate Tomlinson for an absent member.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to approve minutes of regular meeting of September 14, 2017 as printed. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

BMC Land Development, LLC, 67 Hoopole Hill Road: The public hearing on application by BMC Land Development, LLC for a 12 lot subdivision of land at 67 Hoopole Hill Road has been continued to December 14, 2017.

Public Business: Ted Batko of 34 Plains Road noted that he was before the Commission a year ago and went over the history of the quarry closure at Blakeslee Arpaia Chapman on Bahr Road. The sand and gravel operation started in mid to late 60s, operation ceased after the flood in 1990 and the closure was in 1995. Mr. Batko has a copy of the Deep River Quarry Closure Hydrologic/Hydraulic Computations which is on file with DEEP. There were no provisions made for maintenance. When the property ownership changed last year, maintenance has been needed to be continued at the spillway for the protection of the Deep River downstream. Mr. Batko noted that he spoke with WEO Mark Reyher on several occasions about concerns for keeping up with the maintenance, and has also been in contact with the manager at Larimar Farms. He noted that as of 1:00 p.m. on this day the maintenance was not completed. He noted concern for the recent threats of hurricanes and the seasonal storms with high winds and rainfall and the urgent need to remove the blockage at the outlet. The maintenance needs to be kept up so that the pond can function as designed and not be blocked off by debris and beaver dam construction. Prior to the sale of the property, Mr. Batko has been the steward of the property. WEO Reyher noted that Kevin Wakely from Larimar was going go out this afternoon because he knew that it was going to be discussed at this meeting. Mr. Batko asked the Commission to contact DEEP for technical assistance to see that the quarry pond remain functional. The Chairman will contact DEEP Dam Safety.

WEO Report: Scott Papoosha, 199 Stevenstown Road: WEO Reyher noted that the First Selectman, ZEO, and WEO will be walking the property with DEEP. Mr. Papoosha has a wood processing permit for operation only in the Town of Killingworth. Check of the property on Google Earth shows that the property was not disturbed under the prior ownership. A small pond is located in the middle of the current operation.

Payment of Bills: None received.

A motion was made by Mike Tomlinson and seconded by Carol Libby to adjourn at 10:39 p.m. (6-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted
Nancy Howard
Recording Secretary