

**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
Regular Meeting of February 10, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room 1, Newtown Municipal Center
3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT**

These Minutes are subject to Approval by the Inland Wetlands Commission

Present: Mary Curran, Craig Ferris, Sharon Salling, Kristen Hammar

Staff Present: Steve Maguire, Land Use Enforcement Officer, Dawn Fried, Clerk

Ms. Curran opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

PENDING APPLICATION

FP #16-01 by Turner Logging and Firewood, property located at 165 Brushy Hill Road for a timber harvest.

Mr. Bruce Turner, Turner Logging and Firewood, Litchfield, CT, gave a summary of the timber harvest project and stated there will be no impact on the wetland area. The timber harvest will be located in the upland area. The purpose of the timber harvest is to cut down old, dying trees and open the canopy for more sun which will lead to the regeneration of new growth. Approximately 17% of the trees will be cut. Mr. Turner stated he will leave the seed trees and will not cut anything under 16 inches in diameter. The Commission had a discussion regarding the project.

Ms. Curran requested a motion. Ms. Salling moved to **approve application FP #16-01 by Turner Logging and Firewood for a select timber harvest**. The approved plans are Harvest Area Map dated received January 15, 2016 and 2 summary letters from Turner Logging and Firewood dated January 15, 2016. Mr. Ferris seconded. All in favor.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee prepared a slate for the Election of Officers. The Committee proposed the following:

Kristen Hammar – Chairman of Inland Wetland Commission
Mary Curran – Vice Chairman of Inland Wetland Commission
Craig Ferris – Secretary of Inland Wetland Commission

Ms. Salling made a motion to approve the proposed slate prepared by the Nominating Committee. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for January 13, 2013.

Ms. Curran requested a motion to approve the minutes from January 13, 2016. Ms. Salling so moved. All in favor.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Application IW #16-03 by Town of Newtown, 67 Pond Brook Road for roadside bank armoring along stream.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ferris requested a motion to adjourn meeting. Ms. Curran so moved. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.