

**COMMISSION HAS NOT YET READ
OR APPROVED THESE MINUTES**

TOWN OF EASTFORD
INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
February 22, 2024 – 7pm
Regular Meeting

Members Present: Tom DeJohn, Chair; Deb Lee, Vice-Chair, Rob Torcellini, Denis Day, Susan Welshman

Absent: None

Also Present: Jim Larkin, Wetlands Agent

Regular meeting Called to Order at 7:01 pm.

Old Business:

- **File # 24-001 Michael & Sally Tyler, Crystal Pond Road & Cove Road Eat, Eastford, CT. Relocate and reconstruct private boat ramp and masonry retaining wall. Application received: 01/25/2024. Fee received: \$260. Decision or Public Hearing by: 03/30/2024.** The Commission reviewed updated plans submitted to Jim Larkin on 02/22/2024. The Commission and Jim Larkin agreed that the applicants had addressed all comments and recommendations. Discussions were held regarding any conditions for permit approval. **MOTION (Torcellini/Day) to approve the application with the following conditions: Leaf and debris removal will only occur in the location area of the new boat ramp; Applicant to contact Jim Larkin before beginning work and to inspect silt fences, etc.; Work can only occur while Crystal Pond Lake is drawn down for the season. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

New Business: None

Application Received Post Agenda Filing: None

Approval of Minutes: MOTION (Day/Torcellini) to approve the Minutes, with corrections, of the January 25, 2024 Regular Meeting. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Chairman's Report : None

Agent Report: Wetlands Agent Jim Larkin reported:

- **220 Chaplin Road:** Jim passed out photos from a site visit he conducted on 2/8/2024 to review the grading of the area previously used as a dirt bike track. The entire area has been graded to match the previous contours. The owner of the property reports already

seeding. The owner of the property is inquiring about the release of the Cease-and-Desist Order filed in February of 2021.

- **66 Weeks Road:** A neighbor of the property alerted J Larkin to the drilling of a well on this property. There was concern regarding the erosion control measures used during the drilling process. When J Larkin visited the site, he observed that the drilling company had placed a piece of drilling equipment across the existing silt fence and some water and silt had bypassed the fence and was encroaching upon the upland review area which is the limit of disturbance. Since the driller would not speak to J Larkin, an email was sent to the property owner explaining the issue and that they would be responsible for any clean up and damage by the well contractor and that the erosion controls would need to be repaired. The property owner promptly replied as well as the contractor. The owner will have erosion controls repaired and sediment cleaned up. Follow up needed.
- **40 General Lyon Road:** J Larkin inspected the site on 01/31/2024. The well had been installed near the location of what he assumes is a temporary drive for well installation as it is south of the well. Erosion controls were in place around the well area although silt fencing near the foundation needs repair. Will contact new owner regarding continued maintenance of erosion controls as well as a permit transfer.

Planning Commission Report: The Planning Commission did not meet in January due to snowstorm.

Correspondence: None

Other Business: None

Meeting adjourned at **7:57** pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Welshman, Recording Secretary