

**INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY  
TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE  
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Inland Wetlands Agency (IWA) for the Town of Woodbridge was held on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 in the Central Meeting Room of the Town Hall, 11 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge, Connecticut.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Jack Kurek ~ Acting Chairman, David Speranzini and Barry Josephs  
**ALTERNATE:** Josh Lemon  
**EXCUSED:** Robert Blythe, Jean Webber (alternate) and Josh Goldberg  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Kristine Sullivan, Enforcement Officer

Acting Chairman Kurek called the meeting to order at 7:29pm. Mr. Lemon was seated in place of Mr. Blythe.

Dwight Rowland, Board of Selectman liaison was also in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Sonia Caban and Francis Donnelly: 4 Lines Road  
Application for Stabilization of Pond Banks**

The application submitted by Francis Donnelly and Sonia Caban to stabilize portions of the banks of the pond on their property located at 4 Lines Road was formally received. The application was accompanied by a site plan with the areas of banks proposed to be stabilized highlighted, checks for the state and town application fees and certificate of mailing of notice of the application to abutting property owners.

Francis Donnelly was present to discuss the application. In discussion and response to questions by Agency members he noted:

- Some of the banks of the pond are eroding and they would like to stabilize those areas with fieldstone.
- Some of the stones around the pond have fallen into the pond and been sucked into the mud.
- The fieldstone would be delivered to the site on pallets, and transported to the areas of the pond banks to be stabilized by wheelbarrow.
- The field stones would weigh about fifty (50) to sixty (60) pounds each.
- The field stones would be placed on the banks by hand.
- The pond is mainly spring fed and is about three (3) feet deep.
- As property owners, their main concern is an area around a tree by their house where the bank has been eroding and the tree roots are exposed.
- The pond is not proposed to be dredged at this time.
- The water level in the pond remains constant.
- There is an outlet from the pond to a pond on an adjoining site.

The Chairman noted that because of the location of the work to be done that the Agency was required to act on the application, and in accordance with State Statute that action on the application could not be taken until the Agency's regular meeting next month.

At the conclusion of the discussion, it was the consensus of the Agency members to conduct a site inspection of the site on Saturday, March 14, 2020 meeting at 8:00 a.m. at the site.

**Amity Regional High School: 25 Newton Road**  
**Replacement of Outdoor Stadium Field Surface**

A copy of an email which had been forwarded to staff by Gerry Shaw, Administrative Assistant for the Board of Selectmen, was distributed to Agency members for review and determination if any action was required by the Agency for the replacement of the outdoor stadium field surface at the Amity Regional High School.

Staff noted that the original Regional High School construction had been done prior to the establishment of the Inland Wetlands Act. At that time filling of wetlands had been allowed. There may have been some wetland filling on the southern side of the stadium.

Following discussion it was the consensus of the Agency members that if there was no disturbance outside of the existing footprint of the stadium field surface that no action was required by the Agency.

**Old Business**

There was no old business to come before the Agency

**Other Business**

Agency member Josh Lemon discussed the information that had been distributed to the Agency members regarding data sheets used for determining wetland delineation. In discussion he noted:

- Quinnipiack Valley Health District (QVHD) has sanitarians inspect deep hold tests for septic systems.
- Soil Scientists should provide the data to verify the wetland delineation lines that they establish.

Discussion on this topic was continued until the regular meeting of the Agency on March 18, 2020

**RECEIPT AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING  
CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE IWA SINCE THE DECEMBER 18,  
2019 REGULAR MEETING OF THE AGENCY WHICH IS NOT RELATED TO  
LISTED AGENDA ITEMS:**

There was no new correspondence received that did not relate to items before the Agency

**ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The Acting Enforcement Officer reported that an enforcement letter was sent to the owner of 220 Seymour Road and Bryant Esparo who is residing in the residence. Mr. Esparo contacted the Agency Office and indicated that Soil Scientist/Biologist David Lord had had a death in the family and would be contacting the Office after February 25, 2020. When Mr. Lord calls, staff will schedule a site visit with him to review what aspects of the required planting plan the site is in conformance with.

**SCHEDULING DATE FOR NEXT IWA SITE INSPECTIONS**

A site inspection was scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2020 meeting at 8:00 a.m. at 4 Lines Road relative to the application for the stabilization of the onsite pond banks which are eroding.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting of January 15, 2020, site inspection on January 18, 2020 and special meeting on January 29, 2020

\*\* Mr. Speranzini moved to approve the minutes of:

- Regular meeting on January 15, 2020 with typographical corrections on page 1.
- Site inspection on January 18, 2020 as submitted.
- Special meeting on January 29, 2020 as submitted.

\*\* Mr. Lemon seconded.

\*\* Voting for: Kurek, Speranzini, Josephs and Lemon.

\*\* Opposed: No one

**Unanimous Approval 4-0**

### ADJOURNMENT

• Adjournment of meeting

\*\* Mr. Josephs moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m..

\*\* Mr. Speranzini seconded.

\*\* Voting for: Kurek, Speranzini, Josephs and Lemon.

\*\* Opposed: No one

**Unanimous Approval 4-0**

**Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Sullivan,  
Acting Recording Secretary