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Meeting October 18, 2023

The Lyme Conservation Commission/ Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday October 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lyme Town Hall, 480 Hamburg Road Lyme, CT 06371 to hear the following:

Members Present: Roger Dill (chair), Ben Kegley, Patrick Crowley, Christine Darnell, Tom Reynolds, Sue Hessell, Mike Lombardozi, Susan Fox (alternate), Ross Byrne WEA, Lannie Mossberg Secretary.

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting
Dill made a motion to appoint Darnell as chair for his application. Seconded by Lombardozi. Unanimous.

1. 2023-12 Dill, Roger and Elizabeth; 224-2 Beaver Brook Rd. Map 44, Lot 22; continuation of application for building a riding ring within the Upland Review Area.

Present: Roger Dill
Dill spoke and requested a waiver of fees to his application because there's CT. Supreme Court case law that says equestrian activities such as a barn or farm, including riding ring, is considered a farm activity. Reynolds made a motion to approve the application as submitted with no fees. Seconded by Crowley. Unanimous.

Dill returned to the chair's position.

2. 2023-10 Wing, Thomas & Andrea; 60 Brush Hill Rd. Map 12, Lot 64; continuation of application to install a "Pond Leveler" to control flooding from beaver dams.

Present: Andrea and Thomas Wing.
Crowley made a motion to approve as presented in last month's meeting. Seconded by Lombardozi. Unanimous.

3. 2023-11 Kennedy, Marianne; 139 Blood St. Map 33, Lot 34; application to build a deck on the backside of the house within the Upland Review Area.

Present: Robert Bone of Ardy Construction
Byrne spoke and said it is a narrow backyard, and the deck will be in a grassy area attached to the house approximately 90 feet from the lake. Reynolds commented he doesn't see any issues. Lombardozi commented that it doesn't look like it extends further than the other deck already there.
Continued to next month for approval.

4. Michael Osborne and Sarah D, 31 Birch Hill Rd. Map;22 Lot; 25; To resolve violation of Clear cutting within the wetlands and Upland Review Area by remediation plan. 300-6.2 Unpermitted Regulate Activity as defined in Article 300-2.

Present: Jim Arrigoni from Lyme Land Conservation Trust.

Jim spoke, and said they are making good progress. He said in a meeting earlier this month Toni Irving, Ross Byrne, Lannie Mossberg, and himself, met with Sarah and Michael Osborne to discuss the remediation plan. Arrigoni explained that the LLCT was looking for the Wetlands commission to approve the presented plan, and release the cease and desist, so the Osborne's can move forward with their remediation work. Dill Spoke and said everyone involved is fortunate the Osbornes have been so thoughtful about the remediation. Byrne explained P&Z commission accepted the remediation plan last week. The Osbornes have submitted an application for a Wetlands permit that will be presented for approval at next month's meeting, if todays plan is accepted. Byrne also requested the application fee be waved since they have been so cooperative, and remediation is costly. Reynolds stated, If there wasn't a violation, it would be a lot less aggravation and there's no excuse. Reynolds does not think the board should wave the fee. Hessel agreed.

New Business

1. POCD Survey discussion with sub-committee members.

Fritz Gahagan, a member from the POCD sub-committee spoke and explained the POCD sub-committee would like ideas and suggestions from the Wetlands committee to help gather information for the 2025 POCD survey. Discussion and thoughts were expressed.

2. Stark preliminary subdivision survey discussion.

Present: Bruce & Warren Stark, Tom Metcalf.
A preliminary Layout map was shown.
Metcalf spoke on behalf of the Stark's. Metcalf explained the Stark's are looking to break off a piece of the land (subdivide) for Warren. They will have Rich Snarsky mark and flag the wetlands on the lot. The Stark's will have an informal discussion & submit an application to P&Z along with an application to the Wetlands Commission. Metcalf asked if that sounded reasonable, the board agreed.
Lombardozzi left the meeting.

Old Business

1. Accept changes to draft Forestry Regulations.

With no comments, the board accepted the changes.

Approval of minutes from the September 13, 2023, meeting.
Crowley made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Reynolds. Hessel abstained.
Unanimous.
Adjournment 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lannie Mossberg Secretary