



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
HELD IN PERSON
TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM" A"
AUGUST 23, 2022 7:30 p.m.**

PRESENT IN PERSON: Dori Wollen, Chair, Cathy Alfandre, Elliot Leonard, Steve Montgomery.

ABSENT: Sarah Cwikla, Maria Corti, Dave Logie, Karin Niesyn

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT IN PERSON: William Pollock, Steven and Laura Salma, Cleber Ramos, Trevor Smith, Filipe Monteiro, June Logie.

Chair Dori Wollen called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

1.) INLAND WETLAND APPLICATION:

#22-617 1080 Black Rock Road: Cleber Ramos, Install drainage along driveway, replace 18" pipe, received 7/12/2022 + 65 = 9/15/2022. Cleber Ramos appeared and presented a letter describing his planned project. Chair Wollen read the letter into the record. Mr. Ramos stated that he had recently completed a land swap with a neighbor because his driveway had been built in the wrong place. Chair Wollen noted that a gate had been built across the driveway and stated that the Commissioners would need to be able access the property for their site walks. Steve Montgomery stated that it was necessary to review the easement as the language in it will determine whether or not the Commission can issue a permit to work on the easement.

#22-619 25 North Street: Steven and Laura Salma, Reset boulders to stabilize channel banks leading to pond, remove invasive vegetation, received 7/26/2022 + 65 = 9/29/2022.

William Pollock, Landscape Architect and the property owners appeared on behalf of this application. Mr. Pollock reviewed the plans for the project. **MOTION:** Elliot Leonard moved to approve #22-619 with standard stipulations. Cathy Alfandre seconded. **VOTE: #22-619** was approved by Unanimous voice vote.

#22-621 350 Rock House Road: Jennifer Casatelli Helman, Install 20' x 40' vinyl lined in ground pool, received 8/23/2022 + 65 days = 10/27/2022. Ms. Helman appeared on behalf of this application. She stated that her pool guy had recommended the placement of the equipment which is in the upland review area. Chair Wollen asked her to stake the site.

SITE WALK: 350 Rock House Road.

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. **V#05-143**, Notice of Violation at 740 Stepney Road--Neunteufel and VonKuthy, issued 7/5/05.

B. Cease and Desist Order for property at 740 Stepney Road--Neunteufel and VonKuthy, issued 7/20/05.

C. **V#21-584** Notice of Violation at 1074 Black Rock Road- Trevor A. Smith, issued 3/9/2021, Cease and Desist order. Staff was directed to send a second violation letter, (sent on April 9,2021). Mr. Smith appeared at this meeting in connection to the application of his neighbor Cleber Ramos at 1080 Black Rock Road. Chair Wollen advised him of this Violation, which she read into the record. Mr. Smith stated that he had given a rendering if the area in question to Mark DeLieto, WEO. Mr. Smith asked to be notified of the next meeting.

D. **Warning** re; activities within 100 feet of wetlands- David Harding 570 Morehouse Road, Easton CT, issued May 17, 2021.

E. **V#21-592** Activities within 100 feet of wetlands-David Harding, 570 Morehouse Road, Easton CT, issued August 12, 2021. Chair Wollen wrote to Mr. Harding on June 9th 2022 levying a \$1000 fine. The Chair advised that she is going to write up the fine process and will review it with the First Selectman.

F. **V#21-593** Activities within 100 feet of wetlands- John Stanczyk, 582 Morehouse Road, Easton CT, issued August 13, 2021. Cathy Alfandre noted that she had driven by this site recently and that the majority of the debris from the remediation work has been cleaned up. Chair Wollen stated that she agreed. **MOTION:** Cathy Alfandre moved to **LIFT V#21-593** as all conditions have been met. Elliot Leonard seconded. **VOTE; v21-593** was lifted by unanimous voice vote.

H.) **V#22-615** Activities within 100 feet of wetlands – Gaetano and Laura Marini, 149 Twin Lanes Road, Easton CT, issued June 20, 2022. Mr. Marini appeared at the July 12th, 2022 meeting in response to this violation notice. Mr. Marini Stopped by the office this date to advise he did not complete the applications yet but hopes to have them soon.

I.) **V#22-618** Spreading contaminated fill within 100 feet of wetlands-Easton Village Center LLC/COV. Chair Wollen and Steve Montgomery gave updates on the contaminated fill at Easton Village Store. Based on available maps it was determined that the violation(s) are valid since the fill was deposited within the 100-foot regulated area.

J.) **V#22-620** Activity within regulated area – Filipe Monteiro, 29 Bibbins Road. Mr. Monteiro appeared in response to this violation. He presented plans for this property which he recently acquired. He is waiting for the final survey and design but wants to split the project. his application is in process.

3.) NEW BUSINESS:

4.) **REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING:** P&Z's proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments were distributed to the members for review. The Commission has no comment and P&Z will be notified accordingly.

5.) CONSERVATION PROJECTS:

6.) OPEN - SPACE ISSUES:

7.) WEO COMMUNICATIONS:

8.) CORRESPONDENCE:

9.) MISCELLANEOUS: Discussion on the “Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations Fee Schedule for the Town of Easton” was tabled until the next meeting.

10). APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:

MOTION: Steve Montgomery moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 26, 2022. Elliot Leonard seconded. **VOTE:** The minutes of the July 26, 2022 meeting were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

11). ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cathy Alfandre and seconded by Elliot Leonard. **VOTE:** Approved by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Submitted by Frances M. Daly
Secretary, Easton Conservation Commission