



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

225 Center Road - Easton, Connecticut 06612

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
HELD VIA ZOOM AND IN PERSON  
CONFERENCE ROOM "A" TOWN HALL  
June 8, 2021, 7:30 p.m.**

**PRESENT IN PERSON:** Dori Wollen, Chair, Cathy Alfandre, Dave Logie

**PRESENT VIA ZOOM:** Elliot Leonard, Maria Corti (alternate).

**ABSENT:** Steve Montgomery, Sarah Cwikla, Vivian Hardison

Members of the public present of the public present in person: Adam Dunsby, Foster McCann, Karen Niesyn.

Chair Dori Wollen called the meeting to order at 7:35.  
Maria Corti was appointed to vote for Vivian Hardison.

1.) **# 21-590-65 Redding Road**-Dunsby, Adam. Received 6/8/2021+65 days=8/12/2021. Dredge and expand pond, place boulders at edge, repair dock and create stone landing area at dock. Adam Dunsby and Foster McCann appeared on behalf of this application. Mr. Dunsby stated that he had originally appeared before the Commission to expand a small pond on his property in 2007. He stated that this project is to reengineer the pond, dredge it and expand it slightly as well as replacing the broken dock. He plans to place the dewatered soil from dredging the pond on the property in areas where there are no wetlands. Chair Wollen asked that the planned areas of expansion, stone landing area, placement of boulders be flagged. Cathy Alfandre asked about where to park to gain access to the pond. Mr. Dunsby said to park in the driveway.

2.) **SITE WALKS:** 65 Redding Road

3.) **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#08-153, Notice of Violation at 68 Sport Hill Parkway—"68 Sport Hill Parkway, LLC"-Michael Newman, issued 12/1/08

D. Cease and Remediate order for 68 Sport Hill

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- E. V#11-158, Notice of Violation at 580 Sport Hill Road--Austin Ganim, issued 5/24/11
- F. Amended Wetlands Permit #10-389, 288 Maple Road—4-lot subdivision, property owner: Vincenzo Toscano.

G. Warning re: activities within 100 feet of wetlands- The MG Easton Company, Harvester Road, Easton CT 06612 issued 10/10/2019. The Commission approved application #21-583; however, it left the warning in place until such time that all construction is completed satisfactorily.

H. V#20-573, Notice of Violation at 36 Kachele Street---Remigio Melo Jr., issued 9/24/2020, Cease and Desist order. The Commission approved application #20-574, however, it left the violation in place until such time that all construction is completed satisfactorily.

I. 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 follow up with WEO.

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

**4.) NEW BUSINESS:** Chair Wollen read an e-mail from the First Selectman regarding HB6448 into the record.

Chair Wollen discussed the status of outstanding violations.

Chair Wollen reported that the WEO had been contacted by Jay Tenney of Ridgeway regarding the health of a large Copper Beech tree which is covered by a Conservation Easement. Mr. Tenney advised that his arborist found the tree was infested with ants. The WEO asked the Tree Warden, Dick Dina, to check the tree. It was reported that Mr. Dina suggested a cable be installed to hold up the tree, and that the residents contact an arborist. The WEO advised Mr. Tenney if the tree is a danger it may be removed.

Chair Wollen reported that she had received a complaint from Joe Calzone regarding water runoff from the driveway at 59 Tranquility Drive. The WEO went out to see the site and reported there were no wetlands violations.

**5.) REVIEW FOR REPORT TO PLANNING AND ZONING:**

**6.) CONSERVATION PROJECTS:**

**7) OPEN - SPACE ISSUES:** Dave Logie reported that the trail at Carriage Drive entrance to Paine Open Space is in disrepair and is currently closed. He is evaluating options for a permanent repair to this trail. Commissioner Logie has also inspected the Open Space area on the Morehouse Road property and feels there are several areas where trails could be made.

**8.) WEO COMMUNICATIONS:**

**9.) CORRESPONDENCE DEEP:**

**10.) MISCELLANEOUS:** The Society of Soil Scientists of Southern New England sent notice that their registry is available online.

**11.) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS. MOTION:** Cathy Alfandre moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 11, 2021. Elliot Leonard seconded.

**VOTE:** The minutes from the May 11, 2021 meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

**12.) ADJOURNMENT: MOTION** Elliot Leonard moved to adjourn the meeting. Dave Logie seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Approved by unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Submitted by Frances M. Daly