

DURHAM INLAND WETLANDS AND WATER COURSES AGENCY

DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

7 MAPLE AVENUE DURHAM, CT. 06422

MINUTES OF AUGUST 10, 2015 REGULAR MEETING

Attendance:

MEMBERS & ALTERNATES	
Cascini, Peter	X
Cheyney, Karen at 7:33	X
DeFelice, Frank	A
Eriksen, Richard	X
Meisenkothen, Chris	A
Riotte, Gene	X
Ward, William	X
<i>Alternates</i>	
Augur, Phil	A
Battista, Arnold	A
Laudano, Mark	A
<i>Others</i>	
Colegrove, Geoffrey	X

A= Absent

X=Present

Mr. Eriksen opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Amendments to the Agenda

None.

Approval of Agenda

Upon motion of Mr. Riotte, seconded by Mr. Ward, it was unanimously voted to approve the Agenda as presented.

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion of Mr. Riotte, seconded by Mr. Ward, it was unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of the July 13, 2015 meeting as submitted.

Public Session

None.

Douglas MacDonald , Camp Farnum, Fill in Pond, 285R Maiden Lane

Mr. MacDonald presented the Camp's application to fill the existing pond for athletic fields. He explained that the pond has been drained for some time to facilitate an engineering evaluation for its repair. The Camp hired Milone and McBroom, engineering consultants, to prepare plans for repair of the structure. The cost of repair would be in the \$180,000 range and the pond was no longer used since they constructed a swimming pool. The pond has no stream entering it and there does not appear to be spring fed. DEEP had been contacted and no endangered species have been identified. The Agency members asked various questions to clarify the proposed activity. Karen Cheyney suggested that a report by a soil scientist should be submitted to the Agency prior to deciding on the application. It was agreed that the Camp would engage a soil scientist and the item would be placed on the September agenda.

Enforcement Officer's Report,

Mr. Colegrove reported he had no complaints regarding wetland encroachments during the last month and has not observed any. He reported on JC Farms excavation of the irrigation pond and how well it was conducted. He had recently received a call from the owner of JC Farms requesting to deepen the excavated area because the irrigation pond had dried up due to the lack of rainfall. He stated that he gave them permission to deepen the excavation and to install concrete blocks to reinforce the edge on a temporary basis to support the excavator.

Payment of Bills

None.

Miscellaneous

There was a discussion regarding the DEEP wetlands training courses being made available.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Geoffrey L. Colegrove

Town Planner