

**TOWN OF BEACON FALLS
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT 06403
Monthly Meeting Minutes –Subject to Revision
November 10, 2021**

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Stephen Knapik called the meeting to order at 7:40 P.M.

Members Present: Stephen Knapik (SK), Doug Bousquet (DB), Fred Bowes (FB), Richard Minnick (RM)

Members Absent: Harry Roscoe (HR) John Smith (JS), Brian Swan (BS),

Others Present: Dave Keating (DK), Savannah-Nicole Villalba (SN)

Motion to rearrange agenda. Motion made by Douglas Bousquet/Seconded by Richard Minnick. All ayes.

2. Comments from Public

David Anelli, 17 Oak Drive and Vincent Vizzo, 7 Old Good Hill Road (Oxford). David- I am here to see what help I can get with damage getting because of storm drains dumping on my property. Now adding curtain drains. I walked the property with Doug and the Town Engineer. He said I would need an A-2 Survey, Soil Scientist Report.

SK: Never came before this board when you put a garage on that property. Dave (Keating) – have you had any calls from downstream people on Cook Lane complaining about an increase in water since the road work has been done? Dave Keating: No.

David Anelli: There is erosion. SK: We've walked it, until we have an A-2 Survey before us.

RM: When you built the garage, we could've made you tear down the garage. We didn't though. With what they are doing now, they are not anticipating a net increase in stormwater. You built in a wetlands area of the garage. You shouldn't have built it there.

Vincent Vizzo: You are adding catch basins, curtain drains. The volume of water is increasing. Water now goes more onto his property. Why are you letting the trees die? Why not deal with volume coming out of pipe.

SK: Town Engineer saying zero net increase at peak flow.

RM: Private Road, private property, why should Town go into it? Wetlands are functioning. We've worked with people other parts of town. After the first complaint, we went in and cleaned it, tried to help.

Motion to ask Town Engineer to show on designs/prints of work on Cook Lane where the pipes from Cedar Lane and Cook Lane project feed. Motion made by Richard Minnick/Seconded by Doug Bousquet. All ayes.

3. Read and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings

Motion to accept and approve the minutes for the Regular Monthly Meeting on October 13, 2021, as submitted Motion Made by Richard Minnick/Seconded by Douglas Bousquet. All ayes.

4. **2022 Meeting Dates**

Motion to approve 2022 Meeting Dates as submitted. Motion made by Douglas Bousquet/Seconded by Richard Minnick. All ayes.

5. **Public Petitions**- none

6. **New Applications-**

- a. 343 Lopus Road /TriTech Americas LLC — **RM**: Conditions of approval, need the plans, dates, soil scientist. All need to be contained. No wetlands on site. Stormwater application- I believe there are alternative designs. What is feasibility of other designs? Galleys? **SK**: We can ask if they have an alternative. Dave, can you send a letter to the project engineer, asking them what other design options they may have available?

Motion to table the discussion until letter sent to Project Engineer of 343 Lopus Road. Motion Made by Richard Minnick/Seconded by Douglas Bousquet. All ayes.

7. **Correspondence** – none

8. **Old Business/Reports/Inspections/Staff**

- a. Wetlands Enforcement Officer's Report – No formal report, will chime in as we review Old Business.
- b. Permit A-2003-236 Pond Springs Village/ Pent Road / Lancaster Drive – received monthly report.
- c. Permit A- 2018-314, SW-2018-014 – Charles Edwards/ Tiverton II/ Fairfield Place – **FB recused from meeting. RM**: Dave – please send a letter to possible buyers, current owners, as to what we would anticipate.
- d. Permit A- 2012-296, Toby's Pond – SK & RM attended Park & Rec meeting.
- e. Permit A-2009-283 Alliance Circle – Lot 3 – no updates.
- f. Permit A-2014-306 100 Fieldstone Lane – Chatfield Farms Phases 3, 4, & 5- **SK**: Got a phone call from owner of golf course. Doug & Mike Mormile, ZEO, went onsite at Chatfield. **DB**: Still not hydroseeded. Chris, project manager, came to Town Hall to address issue with Mike. **RM**: Should've referred this to P&Z
DK: Does P&Z allow rock crushing?
- g. Hopp Brook Developers A-2019-315, SW-2019-017, A-2019-315-A1, SW-2019-017-A1 -no updates.
- h. Permit A-2019-316, SW-2019-018, Shawn Classey, 363 & 375 Burton Road - no updates.
- i. Permit A-2019-317, SW 2019-019 Berco Tank, 36 Lancaster Drive- no updates
- j. Permit A-2021-320/SW-2021-023- 808 South Main Street/MCH 83 (Storage Facility) – **DK**: Still waiting for revised plans that have the correct name of current applicant on them.
- k. Permit A-2021-318 & SW-2021-021 - TOBF, Beacon Valley Road Paving – **SK**: drainage work as we speak. **FB**: Was at meeting, may be using a different catch basin.
- l. Permit A-2021-321 & SW-2021-043 – TOBF, Cook Lane Storm Drainage Improvements- no updates.

- m. Permit A-2021-322 & SW-2021-025 – TOBF, Beacon Valley Rd Bridge Rehabilitation – no updates
- n. Permit A-2021-325 & SW-2021-026 – 251/253 South Main Street – James Martin –**RM recused from meeting. SK:** We need a monthly report.

9. New Business

- a. Detention/Retention Pond Maintenance - no updates
- b. Review of IWWC Ordinances & Fees –**SN:** We have Rich's proposals, reviewing regulations from other towns in region, working with Land Use Staff.
- c. 35-37-39 Avenue D –
Motion to send a certified letter, return receipt, to owners of 35-37-39 Avenue D a letter about Commission's concerns. Motion made by Doug Bousquet/Seconded by Fred Bowes. All ayes.
- d. DeCarlo & Doll – no updates
- e. Escrow Account – no updates

10. Payment of Bills

- a. **Administrative Officers & Other Invoices**
Motion to approve payment of David Keating's October 2021 invoice of \$529.72 and, as submitted. Motion Made by Douglas Bousquet /Seconded by Fred Bowes. All ayes.
- b. **State of Connecticut Fees** – no updates
- c. **Engineering** - none

- 11. Petitions from Commissioners- SK:** 3 Coventry Lane – issue with homeowner, material on Wetlands. Filling in Wetland area, cutting down trees. **RM:** Dave, please write a homeowner a letter, that there is a possibility of fines.
SK: Want to take a moment to recognize Rich, and all Veterans and First Responders. Tomorrow is Veteran's Day.

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM SK/DB, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Daigle
Clerk, Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission