



BEACON FALLS INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
Special Meeting
June 23, 2021
MINUTES
(Subject to Revision)

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Stephen Knapik called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

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

Members Absent: John Smith (JS)

Others Present: Dave Keating (DK), Keith Rosenfeld (KR) Savannah-Nicole Villalba (SV)
 Paul DeStefano (PD)

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

Motion made to approve and accept the minutes from the Regular Monthly Meeting on May 12, 2021, as presented. Motion Made by Doug Bousquet /Seconded by Richard Minnick

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>

3. Comments from the Public – James Martin, 50-A North Main Street. I would like to file an application for 251 South Main Street. SK: We will receive this application at next month's meeting.

4. Public Petitions- none

5. New Applications

a. A-2021-219 and SW 2021- 022 - Sunny Acres/ C. Edwards

SK: We received notification from Mr. Edward's family, asking to withdraw the application. We will remove this from the agenda. The application to be filed by Mr. Cirillo was incomplete.

6. **Correspondence**- A magazine & Informational Note from the Society of Soil Scientists.

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

a. Permit A-2003-236 Pond Springs Village/ Pent Road / Lancaster Drive – BS recused himself from meeting. DB: we received the monthly report.
DK: A portion of the property is supposed to remain lower than the street. For stormwater drainage. They have started to fill the area. I informed them that if they want to change the grading, they need to come back to the IWWC.

b. Permit A-2009-283 Alliance Circle – Lot 3

BS returned to Board. DK: I have been out there; Paul & I need to check in to make sure they keep up with erosion controls/anti-tracking pads.

c. Permit A-2014-306 100 Fieldstone Lane – Chatfield Farms Phases 3, 4, & 5

SK: We received our monthly report from Chatfield Farms and DeCarlo and Doll.

d. Permit A-2018-314, SW-2018-014 Charles Edwards, Tiverton II, Fairfield Place
FB recused himself from the Commission. PD: Charlie's son in law, his intentions are to build the road. I explained to him, that if he were to build the road and sell lots as they are, there have to be some design modifications to make sure the road doesn't get destroyed.

FB returned to meeting.

e. Permit A-2012-296, Toby's Pond, renewed on May 9, 2018- no updates.

***Motion to withdraw permit A-2012-296, Toby's Pond. Motion Made by Brian Swan
Seconded by Doug Bousquet***

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

f. Hopp Brook Developers A-2019-315, SW-2019-017, A-2019-315-A1, SW-2019-017-A1
-no updates

g. Permit A-2019-316, SW-2019-018, Shawn Classey, 363 & 375 Burton Road
- no updates.

h. Permit A-2019-317, SW 2019-019 Berco Tank, 36 Lancaster Drive

DK: It has been paved. SK: Maybe a letter to them to say that now it is paved, they need to move the tanks. DB: He said there were going to be more tanks during the warmer months.

- i. Permit A-2021-318 & SW-2021-021 - TOBF, Beacon Valley Road – PD: Bids due tomorrow. Hope to have the pavers out there by mid-July.

8. New Business

- a. Detention/Retention Pond Maintenance - no updates
- b. Review of IWWC Ordinances & Fees – no updates
- c. 808 South Main Street –

SK: We approved this 20 years ago, but they didn't finish building the last three buildings. John Fanotto (JF), Professional Engineer and Land Surveyor, 45 North Street Seymour. Norm Kotoch (NK), Cleveland, Ohio.

RM: Will the construction change the stormwater? Does the original application have a stormwater management approval? Is this already impervious?

John Fanotto: It is millings. RM: Is the current design adequate to handle stormwater? JF: Yes, absolutely.

BS: Soil erosion report? JF: Right now, everything is stabilized; minimum soil erosion. Silt fence will be installed.

DK: The old application has expired. It needs to be a new application. Treat it as a new application. The old approval expired in Feb 2020. Governors EO came out in mid- March 2020. New name, new application.

RM: Please submit all of the new drawings, in hard copy and electronic file.

Motion to approve application A-2021-320 and SW 2021-023, 808 South Main Street, MHC 83 (HW Portfolio LLC), with standard conditions of approval. Motion Made by Richard Minnick. Seconded by Doug Bousquet

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	<u>Abstain</u>	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

- d. Cook Lane Project, Town of Beacon Falls

DB: We had two issues on Cook Lane. Property owner has drain from basement, flowing on to end of property. To end of the road. Had to get Town crew up there more than once.

Motion to have Administrative Officer draft letter to property owners at 47 Cook Lane regarding land issue on property. Motion Made by Richard Minnick.

Seconded by Brian Swan

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

RM: Properties near 42, Long Driveway, I think we should write a letter to them to discuss the problem. Need to regrade so water flows to catch basins.

Motion to accept applications A-2021-321, SW-2021-224, Cook Lane, Town of Beacon Falls, as submitted. Motion Made by Richard Minnick Seconded by Douglas Bousquet

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

Motion to approve applications A-2021-321, SW-2021-224, Cook Lane, Town of Beacon Falls, as submitted. Motion Made by Douglas Bousquet. Seconded by Brian Swan.

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
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Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

e. 681 Burton Road /Invasive Plants

Christian Allen, 56 Avondale Road, Canon, CT & Christopher Mason, 681 Burton Road. Japanese Knotweed Issue on property. Looked into excavation, but there are sewer easements on property. Rodeo is a Dow Science Product, and Wetlands Approved. Glyphosate.

RM: A product recommended by CT DEEP for farms. Is the product you are using similar to Roundup?

CA: It has same active ingredient, but it is only glyphosate in a soybean oil immersion. Glyphosate lasts about three to six months as raw chemical, and about a year and a half with sub chemical. RM: Will you be there to monitor this? CA: Yes. Goal is to get it in three years.

Motion to allow Administrative Officer to work with 681 Burton Road property owners to handle issue on property. Motion Made by Richard Minnick. Seconded by Brian Swan

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

- f. Red Barn Farm LLC/90 Munson Road

Motion to have Administrative Officer draft letter to property owners at 90 Munson Road for more information regarding pond drainage on property. Motion Made by Douglas Bousquet. Seconded by Richard Minnick

VOTE:

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	<u>Absent</u>
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapnik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

9. Payment of Bills

a. Administrative Officers & Other Invoices

Motion to approve David Keating May invoice of \$552.33, as submitted. Motion Made by Douglas Bousquet/Seconded by Fred Bowes. All ayes.

b. State of Connecticut Fees

DK: All set with fees.

c. Engineering -none

10. Petitions from Commissioners- none

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:44 PM DB/RM, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lisa Daigle
Clerk, Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission*