

**MIDDLEFIELD INLAND WETLANDS
and
WATERCOURSES AGENCY
405 Main Street
Middlefield, Connecticut 06455**

Minutes of the March 20, 2019 Regular Meeting

Rebecca Adams, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Attendance:

Members

Alternates

X	Adams, Rebecca	A	Zieminski, Charles
A	Angiletta, Irene		
X	Brown, James		
A	Li, Linda		
A	Manning, John	Other	
X	Poturnicki, Rob	X	Bernotas, Randy
X	Veeley, Robert	A	Curtis, Brian

A=Absent

X=Present

Amendments to the Agenda

None.

Public Comment

None.

Enforcement Officer's Report

Randy Bernotas mentioned that the fee for a residential permit is \$120, with \$60 going to DEEP and \$60 to the town. If the permit is approved by the Enforcement Officer, the fee is only \$60 with all of it going to DEEP. He felt that it didn't make sense that the town doesn't get any money and suggested revising that to \$90, with \$60 to DEEP and \$30 to the town. He also thought that when he makes the decision, it

is usually in the review area that's not even in the wetlands and maybe the money shouldn't be sent to DEEP. Rebecca Adams felt that was doubtful because DEEP would, in fact, be the wetlands agency for each town if the town does not have one.

Mr. Bernotas explained that the reason the fee structure came up was because of a repair of a septic system at 395 Baileyville Road which was pushed into the review area, but was discharging into the wetlands as a failed system. It is now a completely-engineered system and Mr. Bernotas gave him the go-ahead.

Regarding the yurt proposed at IDS, Randy Bernotas reported that he sent a map to the engineer at MDC showing the tongue of wetlands from the pond that goes into the main area of the IDS school property, but is nowhere near the proposed yurt location. He will take care of that by next week.

Mr. Bernotas also mentioned that they did a really nice job at 55 Lake Road and that they never even hit water while digging the foundation.

Approval of Minutes

Rob Poturnicki made a motion, seconded by Bob Veeley, to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2019 meeting, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Matters or business raised at previous meetings or on previous agendas

Rebecca Adams stated that Randy Bernotas had spoken to Ed Bailey and she followed up with him about the ordinance for the enforcement of penalties. Mr. Bailey stated that he was waiting for clarification on language and Ms. Adams stated that she had gotten the attorney all of the language. She will meet with them to get the ordinance on the agenda.

Ms. Adams also reported that Irene Angiletta is home and doing very well. It turns out that it was her tibia that was fractured, so she is in a boot and is able to put pressure on it. She is accepting visitors by appointment.

Rebecca Adams also reported that she is going to the Wetlands and Land Use Institute at Wesleyan on Saturday. Randy Bernotas is also attending. She also noted that Randy Bernotas had asked her if she wanted to cancel tonight's meeting, but she thought it was always good to sit down for a couple of minutes.

Members' suggestions for matters for addition to the current agenda or for discussion and inclusion on future agenda

None.

Adjournment

Bob Veeley made a motion, seconded by Rob Poturnicki, to adjourn the meeting. Motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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