

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016
BARKHAMSTED TOWN HALL
7:00 p.m.**

APPROVED: _____

DATE: _____

PRESENT: Chairman John Greaser, Tony Gorman, Tom Nelson, Martha Sullivan, Chris Tooker, and Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer, Debra Brydon

ABSENT: Linda Ganem, Fred Reeder

1. **NEW APPLICATIONS: None**
2. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**A. Grant, James and Mary Ann, applicant/owner 9 Laurel Passway,
Application for activities to repair septic system**

James Grant was present along with Robert Green of Robert Green Associates, Terryville, CT. This application is for regulated and significant activities in the buffer area for the installation of a new septic system and removal of old septic tank. Mr. Grant and representative, Robert Green gave a brief review of the project. Debra Brydon, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer, has certified return receipts from Mr. Grant notifying the abutting neighbors. Robert Green requested minutes from the Inland Wetlands Commission, dated April 5, 2016 be incorporated in this Public Hearing. Chairman Greaser approved the request.

Mr. Grant needs to replace his septic system and repair the cesspool on his property on West Hill Pond. Mr. Green showed the Inland Wetlands Commission plans and outlined an area on the map in yellow which is the property line owned by Mr. Grant. Mr. Green reviewed three alternatives:

1. Put a small septic system between the building and the lake - ledge in corner of property is not an appropriate place for a septic system;
2. The area is used as a driveway would not be appropriate; and
3. A "do nothing" concept was discarded because the septic system needs to be replaced to protect West Hill Pond.

Mr. Grant and Mr. Green chose a location as far away from West Hill Pond as possible and are ready to begin construction in September. The Inland Wetlands Commission had suggested using waddles at the last meeting but Mr. Green explained why using a silt fence seemed more feasible and appropriate for this project. The drainage area is small and the duration of this project is approximately 2 days. The contractors are the Johnsons'. They have the necessary spill kits and are very cognizant and familiar with West Hill Pond. Debbie said this would be an improvement for the lake. The lake is 82 feet away from the leach field.

The Chair accepted a motion to close the public hearing. Motion made by Martha Sullivan, seconded by Tom Nelson and unanimously approved.

3. PENDING APPLICATIONS:

A. Grant, James and Mary Ann, applicant/owner, 9 Laurel Passway. Application for activities to repair septic system.

Chairman Greaser stated that the commission heard comments from Mr. Grant including expert testimony from Robert Green. Additional changes and consideration were addressed as well. Debbie will give Mr. Grant wetlands markers to mark the 100 foot buffer area. Tom Nelson made a motion to approve the application for activities to repair the septic system at 9 Laurel Passway, seconded by Chris Tooker and unanimously approved.

4. SHOW CAUSE, CEASE AND DESIST:

A. Larose, Robert, 65 Gavitt Road. Show cause, cease and desist.

This remains status quo.

5. INLAND/WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:

Bid process is going out on the Park Road project that was recently approved.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS LEGAL AND PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING:

None.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Tony Gorman moved to approve the minutes of April 4, 2016, as presented, seconded by Martha Sullivan and unanimously approved.

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

Debbie has voucher for the 1st of 3 Inland/Wetlands on-line courses. First segment is DEEP online course, second is legal aspects and the 3rd is a hands-on course at Sessions Woods.

Debbie passed around the Connecticut Wildlife handout.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 a.m. was made by Martha Sullivan, seconded by Tony Gorman and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by: Vicki Connors