

MINUTES  
INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY  
MAY 9, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.  
TOWN HALL ANNEX – 134 GROTON LONG POINT ROAD  
COMMUNITY ROOM 2

I. ROLL CALL

Agency: Scott, Williams, Block, Ashworth, Sutphen  
Absent: Beglau  
Staff: Jones, Allen, Galetta

Chairperson Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – None

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. April 11, 2018

MOTION: To approve the minutes of April 11, 2018, as written.

Motion made by Block, seconded by Sutphen, so voted unanimously.

IV. NEW APPLICATIONS

1. IWA 18-04, Laurel Glen Condominium Association Repaving, 68-86 Buddington Road

Staff noted that the Agency heard an application for this location in December concerning drainage improvements for roof water runoff. The application was withdrawn and has since been abandoned because of the recent changes to WRPD Regulations.

This application is a proposal to replace the existing pavement in kind. Erosion controls will be placed along the border of the wetlands. There is no expansion planned and no redesign or expansion of the paved areas. The scope of the work is to tear up and repave the asphalt in the same footprint. The contractor will be available at the next meeting to answer questions the Agency may have. Staff further explained the location of the property on Buddington Road near The Spot Restaurant but on the other side of the street. The Agency expressed their concern about how the old paving will be disposed of.

MOTION: To classify the application as minor.

Motion made by Block, seconded by Sutphen, so voted unanimously.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Report of Chair – None

2. Report of Staff

Staff discussed the upcoming schools project with the Agency noting that they will see an application relative to the renovation or re-building of Cutler Middle School on Fishtown Road, as that location is surrounded by wetlands. With regard to building a new middle

school, the Town is still trying to determine if they can use the Merritt property. The deadline for shovels in the ground for the entire schools project is October 2019.

The Agency requested a status update on restoration at East Farms Subdivision and additionally noted that the silt fence is now breached. Staff explained that they had met with the property owner Michael Franklin at the site and talked about a restoration plan as well as a time frame. It was clearly explained that planting must occur soon and specifics relating to plantings and erosion control were explicit. To date, a plan has not been submitted. Staff is aware that they will need to push harder if further delays occur. The Agency is quite concerned about the situation and requested a June 1, 2018 deadline for restoration to begin.

Staff noted that she has authorized a small retaining wall in lieu of grading in the upland review area at 10 Fort Hill Road.

The Habitat Newsletter was distributed.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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