

**TOWN OF MONTVILLE**  
**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**  
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**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, April 21, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**LOCATION: MONTVILLE TOWN HALL, *Council Chambers***

**A. Call to order.** Commissioner Houk called the April 21, 2016 Inlands Wetlands Commission to order at 7:01 pm.

**B. Roll call.** In attendance were Commissioners Houk, Greiner, Berardy (7:04 pm) Riske and Deranleau. Absent were Commissioners Brush and O’Bday. Staff present was Liz Burdick, Inlands Wetlands Officer.

**C. Minutes.** Approve the Minutes of the March 17, 2016 Regular Meeting.

*MOTION made by Commissioner Greiner and seconded by Commissioner Riske to approve the March 17, 2016 minutes.*

Voice vote. 3-1-0 MOTION Carried. Commissioner Riske Abstained.

Commissioner Berardy arrived at 7:04 pm.

**D. Public Hearings.** None.

**E. Show Cause Hearings.** None.

**F. Remarks from the public relating to items on the agenda.**

Commissioner Houk asked three times if there were remarks from the public relating to items on the agenda. There was none.

Liz Burdick pointed out that this should be remarks from the public relating to items not on the agenda. This item to be corrected on future agendas.

**G. Old Business:**

**1. 20 Connecticut Blvd** (Map 97 Lot 128), Oakdale, CT – Property Owner: Marion Stanavage - Update ongoing enforcement action – Cease & Desist Order for clearing of trees in regulated areas (*Cont. from 03-17-2016*).

Liz Burdick stated this was an ongoing Cease and Desist Order from last fall. The work had been done without a permit last year. She stated there was no new activity on the property. A discussion was held. Burdick recommended the Commission table the Cease & Desist to the next meeting to confirm seed is growing per restoration order.

*MOTION made by Commissioner Greiner and seconded by Commissioner Deranleau to continue the item to the next meeting.*

Voice vote. 5-0. Motion carried.

## **H. New Business:**

**1. 216IWC3 – 17 Crandall Hill Rd** (Map 32 Lot 7), Uncasville, CT – Applicant, Chris Casadei, C/O Hull Forest Products – Property Owner: Denise Beaulieu – As of Right Determination for Timber Harvest (*Dec. Req. Date 6-24-2016*).

Chris Casadei representing Hull Forest Products addressed the Commission. He stated this was a small-scale timber harvest. He stated there would be very limited impact to the wetlands using existing woods roads.

Liz Burdick presented her report to the Commission and her recommendation that the operation is an As of Right activity per the CT Gen. Statutes and the Montville Regulations. A discussion was held.

***MOTION made by Commissioner Deranleau and seconded by Commissioner Greiner as follows; After giving due consideration to all relevant factors, including those in Section 4 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulations and Section 22a-40 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move that Application# 216IWC3, submitted by Chris Casadei of Hull Forest Products and property owner, Denise Beaulieu for a Timber Harvest and more fully described in the application & narrative letter, dated 3-16-16 and Timber Harvest Map, dated March 2016 is Permitted Use As of Right and, therefore, no permit is required.***

Voice vote. 5-0. Motion carried.

**2. 216IWC4 – 145 Kitemaug Rd** (Map 80 Lot 29) – Applicant/Property Owner: Troy F. Hatfield – First Cut Interior Lot Split (*Dec. Req. Date 6-24-2016*).

Liz Burdick stated there was a small area of wetlands on the property adjacent to Horton Cove. There would be no impact due to no activity in regulated upland or wetlands areas. She indicated the property owners were mandated to bring this application to the Commission before it went forward to Planning and Zoning on Tuesday for an interior lot approval. A discussion was held.

***Motion made by Commissioner Deranleau and seconded by Commissioner Greiner as follows; After giving due consideration to all relevant factors as described in the Application #216IWC4, dated April 7, 2016 and a plan entitled “Site Plan Showing First Cut Lot Split & Interior Lot, #145 Kitemaug Road, Montville (Uncasville), CT, Prepared for Troy F. & Jessie A. Hatfield by Advanced Surveys, LLC, Dated 3/25/16, I move that no permit is required for the proposed First Cut Lot Split and creation of an Interior Lot due to the facts that there are no regulated areas located on Proposed Lot #29-01 and no proposed activities on Existing (Interior) Lot #29.***

Voice vote. 5-0. Motioned carried.

**3. 216IWC5 – 177, 180 & 181 Lynch Hill Rd** (Map 39, Lots 7, 33 & 33-01) – Applicant, Ben Landry – Property Owners, Joanna Hunt, Diana Lee Hunt Picton & Charles Moncrief – As of Right Determination for Timber Harvest (*Dec. Req. Date 6-24-2016*).

Liz Burdick stated the property owners were present if the Commission had any questions and she presented her report to the Commission and her recommendations that the operation was an As of Right activity per the CT Gen. Statutes and the Montville Regulations. There were three properties. #180 Lynch Hill Rd. had no known wetlands. #181 Lynch Hill Rd. had no known wetlands, but was adjacent to wetlands areas on #177 Lynch Hill Rd. #177 Lynch Hill Rd. contained wetlands including a stream. The project has already begun with the majority of the

site clear cut to reclaim agricultural fields and the remaining areas to be selective cutting with a stream crossing. Work within regulated areas is on hold until the Commission makes its determination. Burdick stated that a representative from DEEP had toured the property and she read into the record his email summary stating no concerns. A discussion was held.

***MOTION made by Commissioner Greiner and seconded by Commissioner Berardy as follows; After giving due consideration to all relevant factors, including those in Section 4 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulations and Section 22a-40 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move that Application# 216IWC5, submitted by Certified Forest Practitioner, Ben Landry on behalf of property owners, Joanna Hunt, Diana Lee Hunt Picton & Charles Moncrief for a Timber Harvest and more fully described in the application & narrative letter, dated 4-07-16 and Timber Harvest Map, dated April 7, 2016 is Permitted Use As of Right and, therefore, no permit is required.***

Voice vote. 5-0. Motion carried.

**4. 216IWC6 – Fitch Hill Road from #281- #359, Applicant/Property Owner: Town of Montville – Fitch Hill Road Drainage Improvements (Dec. Req. Date 6-24-2016).**

Bob Russo, Certified Soil Scientist and Brian Long, P.E. from CLA Engineering addressed the Commission. Mr. Russo stated that a project was done last year uphill from this site. He gave a breakdown of the plans. He stated the road needed improvement to the drainage. The last repair had been temporary. This plan was for permanent repair of that crossing. Mr. Long explained there was an existing stone box culvert on the property that has fallen apart. It has been repaired multiple times by the Town and will be replaced. Work will commence in the summer months when there is low to no flow in the stream so there are no adverse impacts. Discussion was held.

Liz Burdick stated if the Commission felt this was a significant impact activity, a public hearing is required. Not significant impact, no public hearing scheduled. Discussion was held.

***MOTION made by Commissioner Riske and seconded by Commissioner Greiner to continue the item to the next meeting in order to comply with the 30-day petition period.***

Voice vote. 5-0. Motion carried.

**I. Correspondence.**

- Land use training in Norwich

**J. Other Business.** None

**K. Executive Session.** None.

**L. Adjournment.**

***MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm made by Commissioner Greiner and seconded by Commissioner Berardy.***