

TOWN OF MONTVILLE
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: MONTVILLE TOWN HALL, Council Chamber
310 NORWICH-NEW LONDON TURNPIKE
UNCASVILLE, CONNECTICUT 06382

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brush called the meeting to order at 7:00.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman-Doug Brush, Vice-Chairman Charles O’Bday III, Commissioner Sandra Berardy, Jessica LeClair, Matthew Emilyyta

Absent: Commissioners; Anthony Tufares, Alt. Vacancy, Alt. Vacancy

Attending: Nancy Woodlock WEO.

3. Minutes: Approval of Minutes from the February 21, 2019 Regular Meeting

MOTION: (LeClair/O’Bday) to approve the February 21, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Vote: Approved Unanimously

4. PUBLIC HEARING: None

5. SHOW CAUSE HEARING:

a. Mr. Richard A. Ryan-442 Fire Street, M14L3-A: Cease and Desist Order for the possible clearing/filling of a buffer and inland wetland area.

N. Woodlock gave the commission background on the property. She stated there were two areas of concern and possible violation.

- **Area 1**-there appears to be fill and work done to the left of the driveway within the buffer and possibly a vernal pool/wetlands.
- **Area 2**-Work to the right of the driveway within the buffer area and possibly wetlands.

N. Woodlock stated the previous property owner received two wetlands permits. The first (20IWC21), for the construction of the driveway and fill within the buffer area, which expired on August 17, 2005. The second (204IWC37) for the removal of brush which expired on January 20, 2010.

Richard Ryan, 442 Fire St. stated he put fill to the left of the driveway so he can back down his driveway as he has a trailer. He did not realize it was protected as it is not wet during the summer or fall. He started work approximately a year ago.

He has been clearing brush to the right side of the house. He stated he will accommodate whatever the commission decides.

It was the consensus of the commission to do a drive by view of the property.

MOTION: (O’Bday/Berardy) to continue the show cause hearing for 442 Fire St., M14L3: cease and desist order for the possible clearing/filling of a buffer and inland wetland area. Vote: Approved Unanimously.

- 6. **REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC (not relating to items on the agenda)-none**
- 7. **OLD BUSINESS: None**
- 8. **NEW BUSINESS: None**
- 9. **CORRESPONDANCE:**
 - a. Eastern Connecticut Conservation District (ECCD) Outlook, Winter 2019 Edition
 - b. Long Island Sound Blue Plan Public Meetings Schedule

10. Other Business:

Chairman Brush stated he was at a CACIWC conference and spoke to Attorney Branse concerning the Public Comment portion of the agenda. Branse stated that it does not hurt to have Public Comment on the agenda and the commission has the ability to control it as they see fit. He suggested they keep the rule of not letting the public comment on agenda items.

It was the consensus of the commission to keep, *Public Hearing*, on future agendas, after consideration of the attorney's advice.

10. Adjournment:

MOTION: (O'Bday/LeClair) to adjourn at 7:18. Vote: Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Spang
Recording Secretary