

*Town of Killingworth
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission
Killingworth, Connecticut 06419*

**Regular Meeting #24-12
Town Emergency Operations Center**

December 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glenn Johnson at 7:08 p.m.

Members present: G. Johnson, E. Pizzuto, C. Plum, T. Doyle, C. Reimers

Members absent: D. Cutillo

Also absent - Enforcement Officer L. Kieft-Robitaille

Visitors: No visitors

MINUTES

T. Doyle moved, seconded by E. Pizzuto, to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2024 Regular Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Cynthia Fusco (owner), Nicholas Fusco (applicant) permit application (W-35) for garage construction, 14 Madison Hollow**
Commission members reviewed the application for a two-car garage. *A motion was made by T. Doyle and seconded by C. Reimers to approve the application as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.*
- Chairman Johnson updated the commission members on a complaint that was made about a resident on Reservoir Road mowing a wetlands upland review area. Chairman Johnson spoke with the person who appeared to be treating the wetland review area as if it were part of his lawn and mowing it frequently. He was told that the review area should be kept in its natural state and not mowed more frequently than a couple of times per year.
- Chairman Johnson reviewed information about the M & M Realty Holdings LLC property on Route 80. The project cannot move forward until the septic system has been reviewed and approved.
- Chairman Johnson informed commission members about a recent Selectmen's meeting. There was a discussion about the project on the corner of River Road and Green Hill Road. Mr. Johnson said unfair and untrue accusations were made at the meeting concerning Wetlands Commission staff. Commission members discussed the permit that they had issued for the project.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Jack B. Coy, LLC (owner), Michael Berkun (applicant) permit application (W-37) for construction of four sheds on Roast Meat Hill Road, Map 28, Lot 59A**

A permit application was received to construct three wood-framed farm utility sheds within the upland review area, and one shed outside the review area. A packet of information that was submitted by Mr. Berkun to the Wetlands Enforcement Officer, was distributed to commission members. The information was submitted to P&Z in August, but was updated for this IWWC application. Mr. Berkun has submitted a permit application but would like the commission to consider approving the shed construction as an as-of-right activity for his farming operation. Members reviewing the shed locations on the submitted map noted that the sheds appeared to be closer to the house than the pond where the farming activity is, and questioned if all of them will be an integral part of the farming activity. At this time they are not approving an as-of-right activity. A site walk will be scheduled in January. Members would like Mr. Berkun to stake out exactly where the four sheds will be, locating all four corners of each shed exactly where they will be located on the site. Chairman Johnson will notify Mr. Berkun that the stake placement must take place before the site walk.

- **Vote on IWWC Officers for 2025**

The following members were nominated for next year's officers:

Chairman - Glenn Johnson

Vice-Chairman - Terry Doyle

Secretary/Treasurer - Carol Reimers

One vote was cast by current Secretary/Treasurer E. Pizzuto to approve the nominations.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. IWWC Budget print-out for July-November 2024
2. Application to Conduct a Regulated Activity - Jack B. Coy, LLC (owner) M. Berkun (applicant)
3. Letter from Michael Berkun to Linda Kieft-Robitaille, 11/21/24, re: Application for sheds dated August 12, 2024
4. Letter from Michael Berkun to Linda Kieft-Robitaille, 8/12/24, Zoning Permit; Application Narrative
5. Letter from Michael Berkun to Linda Kieft-Robitaille, 8/19/24 (revised 11/21/24), re: Request for IWWA Jurisdictional Finding
6. Site Plan showing Four Farm Sheds, prepared for Jack B. Coy, LLC
7. Information on proposed sheds for Jack B. Coy property
8. Chapter 470 Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Regulations, Article IV

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discuss, C. Reimers moved, seconded by C. Plum to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Lisk
Clerk