

Hampton IWWA Minutes
Regular Meeting – April 10, 2012
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The Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at the Town Office Building.

Chairman Crawford called the Meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

Present for the Board: Stanley Crawford, Chairman; Martin Mlyniec, Secretary; Muriel Miller; Dave Goodrich.

Staff and Others Present: John Valente, Wetlands Enforcement Officer; Dayna McDermott-Arriola, Recording Secretary.

Absent: Marlene Aulten and Perry Matchinis

Item 1: Audience for Citizens:

David Wolmer expressed concerns about a large tree that has fallen across the Little River. Mr. Wolmer has contacted Joshua's Trust regarding the matter as there is an easement along the river, but he has received no response. Dave Goodrich gave Mr. Wolmer the contact information for the person in charge of easements for Joshua's Trust.

Item 2: Additions to the Agenda:

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Muriel Miller, to add discussion of endorsing the town purchase of land as Item 9. 2. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3: Approval of Minutes – Public Hearing of March 13, 2012 & Regular Meeting of March 13, 2012.

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Muriel Miller, to approve the March 13, 2012 Public Hearing Minutes. Motion carried unanimously, Dave Goodrich abstaining.

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Muriel Miller, to approve the March 13, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously, Dave Goodrich abstaining.

Item 4: Old Business: none.

Item 5: New Business: none.

Item 6: No Permit Necessary

John Valente reported on the following applications:

1. NP0312-03; applicant Brian Tracy; 62 Main Street; proposed activity: to build a 12'x 10' mud room onto the right side of the existing house; addition will be on 6'x 6' posts on 10" x 48" concrete piers; one-story addition will not be closer to wetlands than the rear of the existing house. Cash in the amount of \$30 received.
2. NP0312-04; applicant Perry Matchinis; 148 Cedar Swamp Road; proposed activity: addition of one-story three-season room to rear of house with frost foundation – footer below 42"; foundation to measure 12' wide and protrude from the house by 16"; no plumbing or additional footer drainage required; all material excavated will be used for backfill and rough grading; no encroachment on wetlands. Check in the amount of \$30 received.
3. NP0412-01 applicants Normand & Naomi Ayotte; 150 Cedar Swamp Road; proposed activity: garage shed – 54' from house. Check in the amount of \$30 received.

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4. NP0412-2; applicants Stan & Susan Crawford; 152 Cedar Swamp Road; proposed activity: create a 60' round pen, used to exercise and school our horse; remove four trees and stumps, weeds, grasses, barberry, poison ivy; remove four large boulders, level the surface, York rake the smaller stones and relocate to a nearby stone wall; cover with 2-3 inches of coarse sand; install three strands of 2" electric fence tape on 4' fiberglass fence rods; to be energized by a solar powered fence charger. Check in the amount of \$30 received.

Item 7. WEO Report

7.1 Monthly Report:

John Valente reported on his inspection of, and directives for, the Ayotte project on Old Town Pound Road. Mr. Valente is in the process of following through on an application for the installation of a swimming pool on Windham Road.

7.2 Duly Authorized Agent Report: none.

Item 8. Communications

The Agency received the following communications:

- Correspondence from Small Cities
- Minutes of the March 29, 2012 Meeting of the Conservation Commission
- Correspondence from the Department of Environmental Protection concerning revisions to the regulations

Item 9. Discuss and Act on any other Business

1. Town of Hampton Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Muriel Miller, to approve the *Town of Hampton Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations* as written and presented. Motion carried unanimously, Dave Goodrich abstaining.

The effective date of the IWWA Regulations will be May 8, 2012, the Legal Notice to be published on April 19, 2012; the Appeal Period to run – April 20 – May 4, 2012; the mailing to the Commissioner of the DEP to be sent within 10 days or no later than April 29, 2012; and the posting of the adopted IWWA Regulations by the Town Clerk on May 8, 2012.

2. Discuss Endorsement of Town Purchase of Land

Chairman Crawford explained that the Board of Selectmen is seeking endorsement from the Agency on the town purchase of the Loisselle property on Route 97.

Chairman Crawford also reported on a meeting of Town of Pomfret officials and the Hampton Conservation Commission that discussed the benefits to towns of open space versus development. Martin Mlyniec stated his belief that endorsement of the town purchase of the property was beyond the Agency's purview. John Valente listed the outstanding characteristics of parcels that would warrant an Agency to consider recommending the town purchase of such parcels.

Motion: Martin Mlyniec, seconded by Muriel Miller, not to endorse the town's purchase of the property. Motion carried unanimously, Dave Goodrich abstaining.

The Agency directed John Valente to draft a letter to the Board of Selectmen explaining the rationale behind the Agency's decision.

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Item 10. Audience for Citizens: none.

Item 11. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Agency, Chairman Crawford adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna McDermott-Arriola
Recording Secretary